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DAIRYMEN TO HAVE MEETING

WILL DISCUSS FORMATION OF COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

TESTING IS PROPOSED

Gathering Will Be Held At County Agricultural Office Tomorrow Afternoon at 1:30 o'Clock.

Dairymen and persons interested in making dairying one of the major sources of income are invited to attend the meeting on dairying which will be held at the county Farm Bureau office at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the formation of a cow testing association and J. Ross Fleetwood, county agent said today, to see if an organization of this kind really is wanted in Nodaway County.

"It would be more satisfactory," Mr. Fleetwood said, "to have at least 25 dairymen in the association."

In explaining the association the county agent said, "A cow testing association is a group of farmers, usually 26, who agree to cooperate for the purpose of improving their dairy herds. They form an association and hire a man whose duty it is to weigh and test the milk, and to keep a detailed record of the production of each cow in their herds together with the cost of production. This man, called the tester, spends one day every month on the farm of each member where he weighs and tests the milk from each cow. From these figures he calculates the amount of milk and fat produced during the month, and its value at market price. The tester also weighs and records the amount and kind of feed given each cow, computes its value and estimated the total cost of feed for the month. When this amount has been charged against the value of the milk and fat produced for that month, the owner is able to determine the profit or loss on each cow in his herd. He then knows the amount returned for each dollar expended for feed, and the exact cost of producing a pound of fat, or one hundred pounds of milk.

"Cow testing association work has gained very greatly in popularity in Missouri during the past few years. Starting with the close of the year 1918 there were two associations operating in the state. One in Pettis County and the other in Webster County. Now there are eighteen counties that have associations.

"Do you know that last year those cows in Missouri cow testing association herds which gave the same production as the average Missouri cow (102 pounds of butter fat a year) charged their owners 29 cents worth of feed for each pound of butter fat produced.

"That those cows returned only $14.97 above feed cost to pay for a whole year of work, interest and taxes.

"That in those same herds the cows which averaged 400 pounds of butter fat consumed only 15 cents worth of feed for each pound of butter fat produced.

"That those 400 pound cows gave an average profit of $125.18 for labor, interest and taxes.

"That the cow testing associations of Missouri are building good herds, the kind of herds that will pay for constructing good roads, build modern homes, buy the automobile, send the children to college and the many other things that make life worth while."

Girl Hidden 3 Years Meets Parents Again

Kansas City, Kan., Jan. 14.—Eight-year-old Grace Hall was reunited with her "daddy," James A. Hall, in the Wyandotte county jail here today.

Grace was returned from a Denver orphanage today and was met by her mother, Mrs. Clara Hall, at the station. The mother clung to the daughter she had not seen for three years, but Grace wanted to see her "daddy" because, as she put it, "he suffers more."

Hall has spent fifteen months in jail on a contempt of court sentence for not revealing the whereabouts of his daughter. Nearly two years ago Mrs. Hall was granted a divorce and custody of the child. Hall was given an indefinite sentence and it was not until two weeks ago that he surrendered, because of illness, and agreed to have Grace brought to Kansas City.

Friends of the couple believed Grace might be the means of bringing about a reconciliation between the two.

Light Company Men at Grant City Today

Nine employes from the Maryville Electric Light and Power Company from the Maryville office and two connected with the Lincoln, Neb., office are at Grant City today in connection with a formal opening the company is holding there, marking the completion of a new office.

Those from the Maryville office who were assisting Homer Dragoo, superintendent of the Grant City plant, today were:

R. L. Harrison, superintendent of the Maryville plant; Paul Ward, sale manager; T. B. Mumma, who has been transferred to the Hamburg, Ia., plant as superintendent; Audrey Boatwright, stenographer; Velma Bowman, clerk; Mildred Jackson, cashier; Glen Trullinger, electrician. C. C. Hellmers, formerly of Maryville but now located at Lincoln, and Stanley Taber, sales manager from the Lincoln office, also were at Grant City.

RAILWAY SAYS REPORT UNFAIR

BURLINGTON FILES EXCEPTIONS TO DRAINAGE BENEFITS.

WOULD HARM ROADBED

Proposed Arkoe Drainage Ditch Would Necessitate Moving Water Pump. Raising Tracks, Claim.

The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railway today in circuit court filed exceptions to a report of commissioners who assessed benefits of $10,700 that would accrue to the railroad from a proposed drainage ditch to drain lands in the Arkoe Drainage district.

This was the first exception to be made by property owners in the district. The commissioners appointed by the court made a report December 13 assessing benefits to the property holders in the district, which extends from a point six miles north of Arkoe where the 102 drainage ditch terminates to a place four miles south of Arkoe, as $160,319.50 and estimated the cost of constructing the ditch at $112,939.46.

The Railroad asks the court for a trial upon the issues involved, that the assessment against the railroad property be stricken from the commissioners' report and in case the project is undertaken, claims damages that would amount to $60,000.

Among the exceptions that the railroad named:

The assessment was unjust and excessive.

That the execution of the plan of reclamation of land would divert waters of the 102 River from its natural location where the railroad now maintains a pumping station. The drainage ditch would derive the railroad of its source of water and necessitate the moving of machinery, for which the company alleges would cost $5,000.

The railroad in its exceptions claimed that the change in the river would bring down quantities of water which their bridge over the 102 River now maintained by the railroad would not be able to take care of. Also that proposed evacuation for a ditch would necessitate the raising of the roadbed and track, which the company claims would require $25,000.

The project would make it necessary for the company to protect the tracks of the road bed at a cost of $30,000. The company asks that the court allow damages in these sums should the drainage ditch be constructed. And it was claimed that the work would interfere with interstate commerce, of which the Burlington is a common carrier.

Hopkins Woman Sues for $400 on a Note

Amanda D. Bunz today filed suit against Ella D. Godsey for the collection of $400 on a note, the case to be heard at the April term of court. Both parties are of Hopkins.

The plaintiff alleges that a note for $500 was made in her favor at 6 per cent interest, of which only $100 has been paid.

To Attend Press Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mapel, James Todd and W. J. Studer went to St. Joseph today to attend the annual convention of the Northwest Missouri Press Association in the Hotel Robidoux. Representatives from eighteen counties in Northwest Missouri are expected.

LEGISLATURE TO CUT DOWN

ANY TAX INCREASES FROWNED UPON, SAYS FORD.

FAVORS NEW PRISION

Maryville Senator to Lead in Movement for Institution to Handle Hardened Criminals.

"There is a general sentiment in the Legislature against any increase in taxes or any increase in expenditures of any kind," said Senator M. E. Ford, who returned to Maryville today from Jefferson City for a short visit.

"This sentiment," Senator Ford said, "is found in both houses of the Assembly and in both parties."

Because of this sentiment, Mr. Ford believes there is little chance for passage of Governor Sam A. Baker's suggested separate taxes for school purposes or of an additional $100,000,000 bond issue for completion of the state road system. These questions, he said were furnishing the principal topic of conversation among the legislators. The general sentiment against any increase of taxation or of expenditures reflected his own, he said.

"We will try to use the money we have to the best advantage but will not try to spend money we haven't got," he declared.

Senator Ford was one of two senators called into conference with Governor Baker to discuss his recommendation for establishment of a separate penitentiary for "hard-boiled" prisoners, and he, with Senator Ralph Wammack of Bloomfield probably will lead the movement for such an institution.

"It is the belief of some of those most familiar with conditions," the senator explained, "that if 300 of the worst criminals were taken out of the present prison, the others could be handled much more easily and with much better chances for their reform."

Habitual criminals who return for two, three or more terms, he said, corrupt the others. He favors establishment of a "real" prison where this class of criminals could be removed and "know that there is to be no monkey business."

Now Investigating Cost.

Steps are being taken now to obtain data concerning the cost of the new penitentiary.

Members of the penal board offered suggestions and agreed to have the figures ready in a few days.

The governor's proposal for a separate penitentiary for hardened criminals instead of the state undertaking to build an intermediate reformatory for first offenders, has met a favorable reception in the legislature. The plan is to use the present penitentiary and its big industrial plants for the first offenders and thereby obtain the benefits of an intermediate reformatory without a large outlay of state money.

The plan outlined at the conference and approved by the governor is to build the new penitentiary at one corner of the present penitentiary yard. That would save cost of administering a separate institution at a distance from the present one. With the use of convict labor, it is believed the separate penitentiary could be erected at a cost of about ¼ million dollars.

"The new plan calls for a cell house to accommodate about 500 prisoners," Senator Ford explained. "Around it would be built a 50-foot wall, cutting it off entirely from the present penitentiary. Atop the wall would be strands of barb wire.

Rock Breaking the Only "Industry"

"No industries would be placed in the new prison. The convicts would be employed on rockpiles, and every one required to perform hard labor. The prisoners would be housed in separate cells."

The governor was told at the conference the separate penitentiary might be built with little or no new legislation, except an appropriation to erect the walls and new cell house. The state penal board now has the power to segregate convicts.

There are now nearly 3,500 convicts in the penitentiary, the largest number in the history of the institution.

New cell facilities are needed. By the removal of 300 or more of the present inmates, Warden Rudolph said, the present penitentiary would become virtually an intermediate reformatory. For the state to build a new institution for first offenders would almost depopulate the present penitentiary.

A reformative program in the penitentiary now is difficult with the beginners in crime intermingled with the hardened offenders. In the penitentiary is a St. Louis barber 60 years old who has served twelve previous terms.

There is more of a disposition at this session to cooperate with the governor on "anything constructive," and not to "play politics," Senator Ford said.

Several ambitious road and school proposals will be introduced, he believes, but they are unlikely to get anywhere.

Mrs. Ford came as far as St. Joseph, where she stopped to attend the meeting of the Northwest Missouri Press Association, in session there today. The senator will return tomorrow afternoon.

FRYER WARNS OF INFLUENZA

EPIDEMIC HERE PROBABLY IN NEXT FEW WEEKS, HE SAYS.

AVOID ALL CONTACTS

Medical Attention Necessary From First Touch Of Disease; Health Physician Gives Preventive Suggestions.

An epidemic of influenza comparable to that which ravaged this country in 1918 and 1919 is very possible in the next few weeks, Dr. C. P. Fryer, county health physician said today.

"I have been watching its spread in the Far East, Japan and the Phillipines, in Spain and now it has struck New York, according to official reports received at this office.

"A warning has been issued by the health commissioner in regard to the virulence of the disease. The epidemic here in 1918 and 1919 is still fresh in the minds of our citizens.

"There is no doubt but what we will have an increased number of influenza cases. The extent of the epidemic is unknown, of course," the physician said. "We have already had one death from influenza, that of a former resident of the county, Berneice Hershaw, who was ill with influenza a week and died.

"The infective agent in influenza still is undetermined. The source is probably the discharge from the nose and throat of infected persons and articles freshly soiled with such discharges. The mode of transmission is by direct contact. The incubation period is usually short, 24 to 72 hours.

"The patient should be isolated during the disease. No vaccines have proven of definite value.

"The soiled handkerchief or cloth which has been soiled with the discharges from the nose and throat should be burned. All clothing, bedding that comes in contact with the patient should be cleaned and aired.

In case of an epidemic efforts should be made to reduce opportunities for contact infection such as stores, halls and street cars.

"Kissing, the use of common towels, eating utensils or toilet articles should be avoided. The hands should be washed before eating. Cases should have medical attention from the onset and should be guided by the advice of their physicians and not return to work without his approval."

Testimony Damaging to Pastor Is Given

Courtroom, Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—Two significant points were brought out in the testimony of state witnesses in the murder trial of the Rev. J. Frank Norris here today, which the prosecution expects to damage the defense contention that the Baptist minister shot and killed D. E. Chipps in self defense.

C. E. Bush, Fort Worth detective, told on the witness stand of having found a clot of fresh blood in the anteroom of the pastor's church study.

A few minutes later he asserted that a thorough search of the dead man's clothing failed to reveal a weapon of any character.

Norris has maintained he killed the wealthy lumberman, who called to protest attacks upon his friend, Mayor Meacham of Fort Worth, in self defense, after Chipps had "threatened him."

The state is attempting to show that Chipps merely warned the pastor and was shot as he left the minister's study.

EUROPE TALKS U.S. RELATIONS

COMMENTS MADE ON LATIN-AMERICAN SITUATION.

THINKS WAR POSSIBLE

Moscow Says Kellogg's Statements Are "Maliciously False"—Mexico Makes Denials.

By United Press.

Mexican-American-Central American relations today were the subject of controversy in Europe and from Canada to the southern tip of South America.

From Mexico and Moscow came four denials and repudiations of the charges and the documents presented to Congress by Secretary of State Frank Kellogg in support of the Coolidge administration policies.

Congressional opponents of United States intervention in Nicaragua attacked Kellogg's "bogey of bolshevism.

Fifteen United States warships were in Nicaraguan waters.

Additional marines were expected to arrive in Corinto, Nicaragua, today.

War a Possibility.

The London Daily Telegraph said editorially the people of the United States were beginning to realize that war with Mexico was a possible result of Kellogg's policy.

Senator Borah launched a "campaign of peace" and suggested holding an election in Nicaragua whereby the people of that country would be able to select a president and urged submission of Mexican-American disputes to arbitration.

The United States Department said it had no evidence linking President Calles of Mexico with international bolshevism.

Ricardo Tievino, leader of Mexican labor, said Americans principally were responsible for propagation of bolshevist doctrine in Mexico. Tievino said Kellogg knowingly had made misstatements in his presentation of the case to the American people.

"False" Says Moscow.

The foreign office in Moscow described Kellogg's statements as "maliciously false."

The Mexican foreign office denied Kellogg's charges.

Madame Alexandra Kollontai, soviet Russian minister to Mexico, denied the charge that the Russian government sought an anti-American base of operations in Mexico. "Russia is not hostile to the United States," she said.

Interior disturbances, continued in Mexico, where sixteen rebels were hanged near Millpaalata. The government was using airplanes against rebel villages.

Reports from Cuba that Bishop Pascuel Diaz was en route to Havana were denied and there was apprehension for his safety. He was arrested this week and his Catholic friends have not heard from him since then.

More Marines Expected.

Managua, Nicaragua, Jan. 13.—A detachment of U. S. marines to augment the forces already on duty here was expected today to arrive at Corinto on the northwest coast, by Sunday.

The marines are aboard the scout cruiser, Cincinnati, which left Bluefields on the southeast coast.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Jan. 14.—Liberal soldiers have siezed a conservative hospital ship on the Escondido river and debarked 125 sick conservatives on the river bank, according to a dispatch received here today.

The conservatives said their vessel had left Rama to come downstream to Bluefields at the suggestion of the commanding officer of the United States naval forces, who had enforced neutrality at Rama. The vessel was the Sea Lion.

The naval landing party at Rama had not taken any action with respect to the liberal seizure today.

Liberal seizure of the Sea Lion may be construed as a violation of the American neutrality regulations for Rama and the Escondido river, as dispatches from Bluefields yesterday said the liberals had been warned not to molest vessels plying the stream.

To Deport Rebel Priests.

Mexico City, Jan. 14.—All Catholic priests captured with rebel groups will be deported, the government announced today, instead of being executed for treason.

Rebellious activities and bloodshed continued today in Mexico as the government strove to put down the somewhat unorganized opposition against it.

Federal forces at Jalisco today reported encountering a rebel band between Arenal and Amatitlan. A sharp fight ended in dispersal of the rebels, who suffered many casualties, according to the federal reports.

Other rebel groups in that section were said to have offered to surrender if their lives were spared.

Grant City Tribune to Open New Home

Grant City, Mo., Jan. 14.—An informal reception will be held Saturday to celebrate the opening of the new home of the Worth County Tribune. The building and grounds cost $16,000.

D. C. Simmons is editor and owner. He established the Tribune in Worth in March, 1913, and moved to Grant City November, 1914.

BAKER'S BILL IS SUBMITTED

EDUCATIONAL FUND MEASURES ONE OF FORTY IN HOUSE.

WOULD TAX TOBACCO

Amusements Also Would Pay.—Another Bill Would Provide Death Penalty for Robbery.

Jefferson City, Jan. 14.—The first heavy day in this year's session of the General Assembly came today with introduction of forty bills in the house and a number in the senate.

Foremost among the house bills was one by Representative Fowler of Adair county and Freeland of Taney county, calling for a carrying out of Governor Baker's proposal for an educational fund.

This bill calls for a 10 per cent tax on all tobaccos sold in the state, a 10 per cent tax on amusements and a reversion of the inheritance tax into the amusement fund. The money derived is to go to the public schools and the higher educational institutions.

Another bill was introduced by Representatives Parker of St. Louis, and Hunter of Randolph County, calling for reappointment of the six supreme court commissioners for a four-year term.

Representative Henry of Bates County introduced a bill which would make the death penalty the maximum for first degree robbery. His bill also provides the minimum penalty as twenty years.

All sales of patent medicines and other medicines in the state of Missouri must be licensed by the state board of pharmacy, according to another bill in the house.

Representative Freeland of Taney County introduced a bill limiting expenses of state employes to $5 a day in cities of more than 100,000 population and $4 a day in all other cities. Another bill calls for state highways connecting the present highways with state parks.

Banks Authorized to Sell Property

Both Burlington Junction and Hopkins Institutions Get Court Order to Collect Notes.

By an order of the circuit court issued today, the Northwestern Bank of Burlington Junction and the Bank of Hopkins now defunct, are authorized to recover on notes owned by them by sale of the lands given in trust as security for the notes.

The petitioners for the Bank of Hopkins, S. L. Cantley, state bank commissioner, and Frank H. Barrett, special deputy commissioner in charge of the bank's business, filed application for order of foreclosure on a tract of land in the southwest corner of block twenty-six, Hopkins.

The court named Fred R. Wolfers, as trustee, to sell the real estate given in trust to secure a $3,000 note made by Grace M. Hall. The note was made December 11, 1925, and is past due.

The state bank commissioner and S. E. Evans, special deputy in charge of the Northwestern Bank, listed among the assets of that bank a note for $3,000 given by Bert Monk, secured by a deed of trust on all of the west half of the northwest one-fourth of block two, 9th addition to Skidmore. The court authorized T. A. Corken, as trustee, to sell the real estate and in event of his refusal, L. B. Campbell, sheriff, will be assigned by the petitioner to make the sale.

ATTACK MADE ON KELLOGG

"YOUNG BOB" LAFOLLETTE FLAYS NICARAGUAN POLICY.

CHARGES SUPPRESSION

Senator's Bitter Denunciation Climaxes Day of Discussion in Both Houses of Congress.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Secretary of State Kellogg deliberately suppressed portions of documents relating to bolshevist activities in Mexico and conjured up a "phantom hegemony" of communism without facts, as an alibi for his Latin-American policy, Senator Robert M. LaFollette, Republican, Wisconsin, charged today in a dramatic attack on the administration.

Referring to Kellogg's statement on bolshevism to the Senate foreign affairs committee as a "vicious piece of propaganda," young Bob LaFollette ranged from bitter denunciation to bitter sarcasm in a speech on the Senate floor strongly reminiscent of his father, whom he succeeded.

LaFollette's speech climaxed a day of debate on the Nicaragua-Mexican situation in both houses of Congress.

Senators Dill, Washington, Heflin, Alabama, and McKellar, Tennessee, all Democrats, preceded him in the upper house with attacks on the administration.

Representative Eaton, Republican, New Jersey, defended Kellogg and President Coolidge in the House after Representative Moore, Democrat, Virginia, had introduced a resolution declaring that no justification exists for severance of diplomatic relations with Mexico or for interference in its affairs.

"I do not think Kellogg's memorandum on bolshevism is evidence of anything," LaFollette declared, chiding the secretary for "using a 'Red' peril scare to hide the true issue."

Witnesses Tell How Accident Happened

Testimony Given in Damage Suit of Ethel Thayer Against Atkinson Paving Company.

Testimony was offered in circuit court this afternoon to show how the accident happened, the cause, and route the automobile took in which Mrs. Ethel Thayer, St. Joseph, was injured September 17, 1925, on the state highway west of Stewartsville.

Mrs. Thayer is plaintiff in a damage suit against the Atkinson Paving Company of Watertown, S. Dak., alleging negligence in allowing a water pipe to remain at the side of the newly constructed pavement over which she was driving at the time of the accident.

Leo Day of Stewartsville, an employ of the paving company, who at the time of the accident was employed by a township organization, was hauling a load of sand over the pavement and testified he saw the Thayer car go over an embankment into a ditch along the road.

A statement made by Day to O. W. Watkins, attorney of St. Joseph for Mrs. Thayer, was introduced by the defense, that differed in some detail as to his testimony on the stand regarding how the accident happened.

Dr. L. E. Saunders of Stewartsville, who was called to attend one of the women injured in the wreck, testified for the defense as to a water pipe he saw alongside of the pavement.

Lee Reynolds of Cameron, an employe of the paving company, was called late in the afternoon. Others subpoenaed to testify in the case are Fred Stuck and W. Nute of Cameron; Fred Cooper, Mabel; Elmer Claude, Winston; Clyde Kedman, Maysville, and E. V. Meredith, Herman and Harvey Sifer and Dan Gibson, Stewartsville.

The case will probably go to the jury tomorrow as testimony of witnesses was expected to occupy the remainder of this afternoon.

H. L. Haines to New York.

Harvey L. Haines left this afternoon for New York on a two weeks' buying trip for "the biggest little store in the United States." He will spend a day in Chicago en route.

Weather

Fair and colder today; Saturday increasing cloudiness and continued cold.

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WOUL ABOLISH MANY BOARDS.

While Governor Baker in his message to the legislature seemed to resent the suggestions of the Missouri Association for Economy in Government that state government is costing too much, he has just made a recommendation that fourteen boards, bureaus and commissions be abolished and states that their functions can be exercised more economically and to better advantage by other agencies.

This is exactly in line with the findings of the Association for Economy. It will recommend the complete reorganization of the 126 bureaus, commissions and boards into less than a dozen departments. Governor Baker, like other governors, had to take things as he found them and it is no reflection upon his administration that there are too many independent agencies with too many useless employes and too many needless expenses.

The leading states of the Union have been consolidating into a limited number of departments all responsible to some authority and cutting out much dead timber. Many state governments have grown up much like a house that originally had one room. As its owner prospered and became more ambitious, he added other rooms until eventually he had his whole yard covered and no system or convenience to any of it.

Every legislature adds something new to serve an independent purpose without any relation to general architectural rules and eventually has employes enough for two governments if they were properly organized and properly correlated. Governor Baker's recommendations are an admission that the Association is at least working in the right direction.

CARS AND CARS AND CARS.

This automobilious country, already saturated with motor cars, gained 10 per cent last year, bringing the present registration up to about 22,300,000. This means one car for every five people. According to the usual reckoning, it seems an average of one car per family.

By all the prophecies of previous years, it should mean super saturation. Yet the manufacturers keep right on producing new cars at the rate of several a minute, and the public keeps right on absorbing them. Two and a half millions a year are needed now merely for replacements, as the old wrecks fall by the wayside. And probably a couple of millions more can be sold this year, to people whose consciences are already weakening as they figure out the installment possibilities.

A new idea is rapidly taking possession of the American family mind. Having got used to one car, the family needs two cars. Anybody can see what that is going to lead to.

"Automotive industry" is right. That industry is self-moving, and can't be stopped.

STRAW PRINT PAPER.

A plant now being installed in Edmonton, Canada, will turn out newsprint paper from straw. Apparently a process has been devised for transferring this rather difficult material into a pulp smooth and white enough for the purpose.

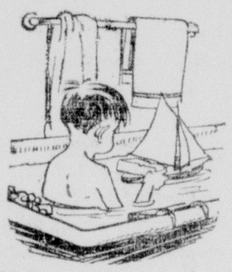
It is a good use for the strawstacks of the great Canadian wheat belt, and should do much to conserve the Canadian pulpwood forests.

And if in Canada, why not in the United States, where there is less timber and more straw? Cornstalks, which used to be mostly waste, are now as silage, turned into beef, milk and butter. If straw, which probably represents the biggest wastage still left on the American farm, can be turned into newspapers, it will save the forests and make money for farmers.

THE GREAT FALL OF CHINA.

Willie Willis

By ROBERT QUILLEN



"Skinny got out of takin' a bath one time just by usin' some mud to color the water an' his mother thought he had took it."

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WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

Washington—There seems to be some difference of opinion as to when a member of Congress becomes a lame duck.

General opinion is that when a senator or representative comes into the final short session of Congress, after being defeated for the next Congress, he's a lame duck. After his term expires in March, of course, if he hasn't been given some diplomatic or bureaucratic post, he's a dead duck.

Senator Morris Ernst of Kentucky, who was beaten along with some of the rest of the boys in November, says that a lame duck is one who is looking for a federal job after the voters push him out of Congress or one who accepts such a job.

Senator Ernst says he hasn't sought a government berth and hasn't accepted one and that consequently you can't call him a lame duck.

Some of the other defeated senators don't bother to draw this distinction.

On the Senate floor the other day some Democrat was making a speech, Frank Willis of Ohio was in the chair and there were only four members visible on the Republican side. They were all progressives, Wheeler, Norris, La Follette and Shipstead.

Shipstead sat pensively all by himself, while the other three had left their seats to group together and whisper.

There is a common suspicion that when a catcher holds up a baseball game to walk out and talk to the pitcher during a tight pinch he talks about the weather or some such extraneous matter as the wise-crack his six-year old son pulled the night before.

Thus, it might have been supposed that Norris, Wheeler and LaFollette were discussing the best place to buy a new suit or perhaps, the price of Scotch.

Nothing of the sort. Wheeler confides, in an absolutely exclusive statement, that they were discussing the Nicaraguan situation and that all three of them were pretty sore.

Garden City.—New 25,000-egg hatchery installed in Suffecool building.

County Judges Most Important Office Holders, Paid the Lowest

A banker, physician, expert accountant, engineer, farmer—combining qualities of deliberation and knowledge values.

These are a few of the qualifications of the three men who determine the destinies of Nodaway county and draw the magnificent salary of $5 for each day they work.

And these three men, E. T. Bailey, Maryville; Charles Armstrong of near Barnard, and J. N. Billingsley of near Clearmont, give their time, at the regular monthly sessions of the county court and such days as the presiding judge, Mr. Bailey, deems that matters of importance should be taken care of.

Besides making several county appointments each year, they decide the tax levy, and the present court has had in mind keeping of the tax levy as low as possible and still cut down the deficiency in the bridge fund.

Subjects ranging from paupers to prisoners, from babies to bridges and from aid to ailments come before the court for solution.

Probably the most interesting, as well as the most difficult, duty of the court is in determining the amount of aid to be offered and to whom it is to be offered. The blind and the maimed totter into the county court room seeking financial assistance. The court hears their claims and determines if they are deserving and are without any means of support.

And Nodaway County takes care of its poor. It maintains one of the best managed county farms in the state in addition to furnishing aid to many people who are not patients at the farm.

But that is only one function of the court. A group of property owners appear before the court wanting to know why a bridge cannot be constructed across a creek near their home, or probably they want a new road constructed, while another group are against the proposal, and the court has to decide the matter.

Another irate property owner appears before the court claiming that his taxes are too high, and he wants to know why he is assessed higher than his neighbor. The court adds a few more gray hairs in attempting to settle the argument.

Somebody discovers the loss of the court house ladder and the court delves into the mystery, finally singling out some attache to go on the trail of the missing ladder.

A county officer buys a supply of pencils and pens and the court must audit the bill before it is paid. Probably the county officer has neglected to "O. K." the bill and it must have his approval as well as that of the court before the warrant is drawn.

Bonds of constables and justices of the peace must be approved; juries must be selected; an inspection must be made of county buildings; reports of county officers must be inspected before approval.

In fact it's just one continual round of work for the county court—work requiring conservative judgment and a lot of common sense and the ability to judge human nature in its various forms.

Besides all these duties the court acts as a board of equalization and then as a board of tax appeals.

Then, in Nodaway County, the judges are road overseers.

When court is not in session there are persons that go out to their homes and consult, and urge certain work to be done and ask that matters be brought up at the next court meeting.

Judge Bailey, who has a farm near Elmo, said that if he could get in three days work all at one time he would be lucky. Persons come out to see him, or he is called to Maryville, or other points in the county, during the time that court is not in session. And the law does not provide that any remuneration for these services.

The judges are the lowest paid officers of the county and their positions of the highest importance. Nevertheless, the offices of county judge are always contested at election time.

Excelsior

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Young and daughter, Lucy, were Sunday visitors at Mrs. Millie Clymen's.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hodges spent Thursday evening at Ula Morehouse's.

Harlan Davison and Bert Baker spent last Tuesday in Maryville.

Mrs. C. F. Fleming and Mrs. Leona Nelson spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. May Harris.

Harvey Davison and family spent Sunday evening at Mrs. Belle Davison's.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hodges spent Tuesday night and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse, Raymon Hodges, Ula Morehouse and family and Fay Morehouse and family were Sunday visitors at Andy Morehouse's.

Mrs. Curtis Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Anderson spent a few days with Fay Glass and family, near Essex, Ia.

Little Anna Bell Carmichael and Mildred and Harry Bird are on the sick list.

Mrs. Chas. Morehouse and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cunning spent Tuesday afternoon at Dow Huntsman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cox were Sunday visitors at Mrs. May Harris'.

Mrs. Dow Huntsman and children, Stanley and Louise, spent Monday evening at Chas. Morehouse's.

Mrs. Laura Morehouse, Adaline Morehouse and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morehouse spent Thursday evening at Dow Huntsman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse and Raymon Hodges spent Tuesday in the Harris home.

Dow Huntsman and family were Sunday visitors at Chas. Baer's.

BARBS

Washington never went near a cherry tree, and Edison's five-hour sleep is the bunk, they tell us. We are expecting any day now to hear a protest from the White House about all this prosperity.

There'll be plenty of work for everybody in 1927, says Hoover. Just as we had feared.

A young man who turned bandit in Kansas City really can't be blamed. He had hunted the town from top to bottom for a job for his wife.

The next thing we expect to hear of is the autobiography of a baseball player running in one of the confessions magazines. We said "hear of," not "read."

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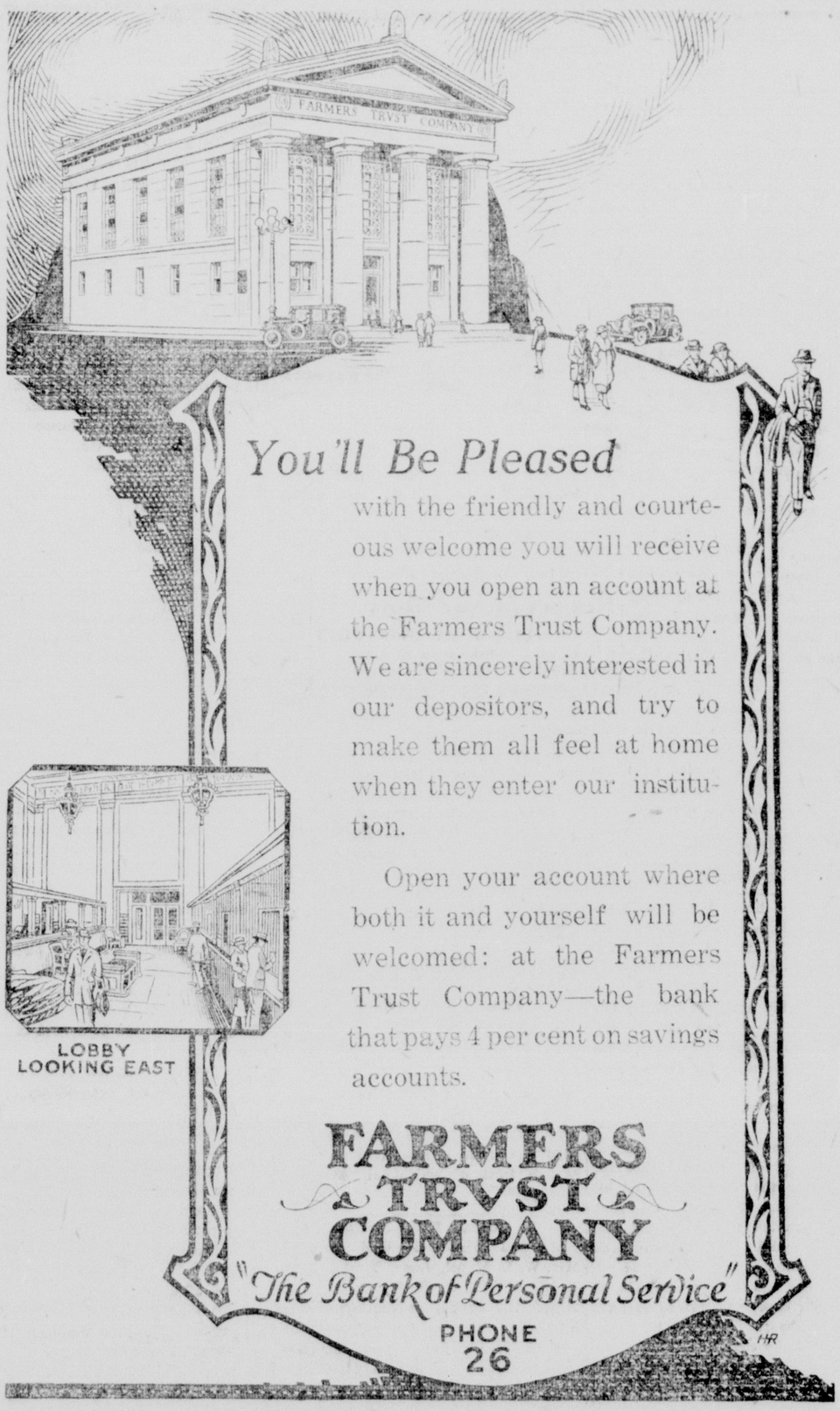

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IN SOCIETY

W. R. C.

The regular meeting of the W. R. C. will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Veterans Association clubrooms. Members of the G. A. R. are also invited.

Garrett-Patterson Wedding.

Miss Thelma E. Garrett, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Garrett, northwest of Maryville, was married to Robert Patterson yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Christian Church in St. Joseph. The ceremony was permormed by Dr. C. M. Chilton, pastor. Mrs. Frank Bickett, sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor and Mr. Bickett was best man. Mr. Patterson and his bride will reside on the farm of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Patterson, northwest of Maryville, following a few days' visit in St. Joseph and Kansas City.

Ladies Aid Society.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Methodist Church was held yesterday afternoon in the ladies' parlor of the church. After the opening song, Dr. C. C. James led in prayer. Mrs. W. W. Stanfield, president, announced the following committees for the ensuing year: Kitchen—Mrs. C. R. Gaugh, Mrs. C. A. McCoppin, Mrs. George Moore, Mrs. Docia Howland and Mrs. Willis Frankum; parlor—Mrs. J. W. Herndon, Miss Mae Corwin, Mrs. Steve Donahue and Mrs. W. W. Stiwalt; flower—Mrs. J. F. Hull, Mrs. Arthur Brewer and Mrs. D. N. Scott; courtesy—Mrs. C. E. Stilwell, Mrs. Frank McKee, Mrs. Henry Wright and Mrs. Anna Stauble; magazine—Mrs. T. L. Wadley. The heads of the four divisions were re-named, as follows: Mrs. J. S. Ford, Mrs. Warren Jones, Mrs. J. P. Price and Mrs. W. J. Montgomery. Mrs. Price's division will be hostess at the February meeting. A series of "stunt nights" has been arranged by the different divisions, the first of the affairs to be held the last of this month by Mrs. Ford's group. The resignation of Mrs. T. B. Mumma, treasurer, who is leaving soon for her new home at Hamburg, Ia., was accepted. Mrs. Mumma had held the office for two and a half years. Mrs. G. P. Wright will serve as treasurer temporarily.

C. C. Club Meeting.

Misses Etta and Maggie Cole were hostesses to the Burlington Junction C. C. Club Wednesday afternoon. This meeting had been postponed for some time pending favorable road conditions. After roll call, the secretary's report and a short business session, letters from former club members were read. The club will celebrate its thirteenth anniversary with a party for members and their families Friday evening, Jan. 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Staples, it was decided at Wednesday's meeting. The organization of the club dates back to Jan. 21, thirteen years ago, and took place at the country home of Mrs. L. O. Staples. At that time the membership numbered eight and soon eight more were added. There are at present eleven mmbers and four charter members. Former members have moved to other points, including California, Colorado, Iowa, and Kansas City and St. Joseph. Officers for the following year are: President, Mrs. Staples; vice-president, Mrs. W. L. Carpenter; and secretary-treasurer, Della Kern. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostesses, assistd by Mrs. Cyrus Cole. Those present were Mrs. Frank Nicholas, Mrs. L. O. Staples, Mrs. W. L. Carpenter, Mrs. J. S. Corken, Mrs. Hubert Corken and sons, Jimmy and Jack Stanley, Mrs. Cyrus Cole and daughter, Mary Margaret, Mrs. Bess Sullivan, Miss Della Kern and Miss Nell Harvey.

New Successful Club Officers.

Members of the Skidmore Successful Club held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Viva Adams yesterday afternoon with fifteen members present. The president had charge of the meeting which opened with the Lord's prayer. Club improvement suggestions formed the roll call responses. The annual reports were given at the usual business session. With a club membership of twenty, the average attendance per meeting was over twelve, it was reported. The annual election of officers supplanted the regular program. The new officers are: President, Mrs. Neva Money; vice-president, Miss Osa Shell; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Mary Pfeiffer; reporter, Mrs. Viva Adams; assistant, Mrs. Lena Pfeiffer. Members of the general committee include Mrs. Golda Wells, Mrs. Gertrude Mitchell and Mrs. Mary Pfeiffer.. The rest of the afternoon was spent socially and refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Lena Pfeiffer. An all-day meeting will be held Feb. 10 with Mrs. Neva Money when each member is requested to furnish a dish for the dinner. The new officers desire that members who have not paid their American Legion fees and club dues be prepared to do so at this meeting. The birthday box will be started at this time and members are asked to bring presents. Mrs. Sarah Strickler, Mrs. Viva Adams, Mrs. Nellie Caywood and Mrs. Ethel Turpin will have charge of the program. Those present yesterday were Mrs. Sarah Strickler, Mrs. Pheobe Linville, Mrs. Mary Pfeiffer, Mrs. Hazel Riley, Mrs. Lucile Peter, Mrs. Fannie Peter, Miss Osa Shell, Mrs. Gertrude Strickler, Mrs. Mary Linville, Mrs. Lena Pfeiffer, Mrs. Ethel Turpin, Mrs. Neva Money, Mrs. Golda Wells, Mrs. Viva Adams and Mrs. Willa Goslee.

Wesleyan Bible Class.

The January meeting of the Wesleyan Bible class of the First Methodist Church was held last night in the basement of the church, with Mrs. W. P. Howland, Miss May Howland, Mrs. Ed Albright, Mrs. J. O. Miller and Miss Byrd Briggs as hostesses. The business meeting was in charge of the president, Mrs. Willis Frankum. The class will serve a banquet for the Herron Co-operative Club next Monday evening in the church dining room, it was decided. Mrs. Guy Haller was the leader of the program and discussed portions of the third and fourth chapter of the text book, "Extension Work in the Local Parish" and "Leadership of the New Rural Church." The program also consisted of piano numbers by Berneta McKee and Doris Wray and a piano duet by the same girls. A social hour followed the program and refreshments were served. Between twenty and twenty-five members were in attendance.

Entertain Lincoln Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bovard were hosts at a dinner last night, entertaining as their guests Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hellmers of Lincoln, Neb. Mr. and Mrs. Hellmers will return home tonight after a two-days' visit in Maryville.

Sister at Convent Becomes a Citizen

Sister Mary Humilitas Parzinger of the Benedictine Convent, Clyde, today was granted full naturalization papers by Judge John M. Dawson in circuit court.

Sister Mary came to this country from Germany.

She was accompanied to the court this morning by Sisters Mary Dorothy Keyes and Benedicta, also of the convent.

Texas County Bank at Houston Closes

Jefferson City, Jan. 14.—Failure of the Texas County Bank at Houston, Mo., was reported to the state banking commissioner here today.

The institution had capital of $60,000 and a surplus of $10,000. Its latest report gave loans $278,000 and deposits $288,000.

A state bank examiner was sent to take charge of its affairs. This is the second bank failure in Missouri since the first of the year.

Report Shows More Autos in Missouri

Increase Of Nearly 50,000 In Last Year Is Indicated By Registrations.—Total Now 651,350.

Jefferson City, Jan. 14.—An increase of nearly 50,000 motor cars in Missouri in the last twelve months is indicated by the December report of the motor vehicle registration department in the office of Charles U. Becker, secretary of state.

The report shows a total of 651,350 motor cars and trucks were licensed for the 11-month period ending December 31. The registration year starts on February 1.

For the entire year of 1925, a total of 604,166 motor vehicles were registered. It is pointed out by officials of the registration department by the end of January the total probably will exceed 655,000.

Besides the owners and trucks registered, the department showed 2,293 dealers; 1,946 motor cycles; 1,350 official or state-owned cars and five official motor cycles.

Announce Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Killiam, living west of Parnell, announce the birth of a daughter last night. The baby weighed six pounds.

A marriage license has been issued in Kansas City to Victor E. Seewald of Burlington, Kan., and Edna Sargent of Hopkins.

ANNUAL FARM WEEK TO OPEN

PROGRAMS AT COLUMBIA BEGIN MONDAY.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Frank O. Lowden One of Agricultural Leaders to Be Heard.—Short Courses Offered.

Columbia, Mo., Jan. 13.—Greater farm profits and happier farm life and the two chief aims to be emphasized at the annual University of Missouri Farmers' week program, which opens at the Missouri College of Agriculture here next Monday and continues through Friday, according to college authorities and members of the state board of agriculture, who are busy this week perfecting plans for the gathering of hundreds of Missouri farmers.

As in past years, the day programs are to be under the direction of the agricultural college and the evening programs will be directed by the board of agriculture. The usual short courses, covering a wide range of agricultural topics, will be held in the mornings, and statewide organizations of farmers who meet here annually during Farmers' week will hold their sessions, as usual, in the afternoons.

Prominent Speakers on Program.

There will be an important addition to the daytime programs, however. A series of afternoon convocations under the auspices of the college, which will bring all of the visitors together in daytime for the first time, will be addressed by nationally known authorities on various agricultural subjects. The night sessions also will be featured by addresses of prominent men and women, many of whom are national figures.

Low rail rates granted for the week, the excellent condition of Missouri roads, and the improved agricultural financial situation, combined with the unusually attractive program, are expected to bring a record breaking attendance for the week.

Emphasize Features.

The college of agriculture is laying special emphasis this year on the special daytime convocations, and all other features of the program will give way to them. They will begin Tuesday and continue through Friday, one being held each day except Friday, when there will be a morning and an afternoon meeting. The speakers for these programs include:

Dr. Ada Hart Arlitt, director of child study and parent education at the University of Cincinnati: William Hirth, Columbia, chairman of the Farmers' Corn Belt committee and founder of the Missouri Farmers' association: Francis D. Farrell, president of the Kansas State Agricultural college at Manhattan: R. W. Brown, president of the Missouri Farm Bureau federation, and Dr. G. F. Warren, professor of rural economics at Cornell university.

Lowden to Speak.

For the evening programs the state board has also arranged an unusually attractive program, with former Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, widely known agricultural leader, speaking at the first program Tuesday night. Others on the night programs are:

Sergeant Alvin C. York, war hero and founder of the York Industrial institute of Jamestown, Tenn.: Mrs. Helen Bradford Paulsen, author of Mother Goose stories and Timothy A. Smiddy, minister plenipotentiary to the United States from the Irish Free State.

The short courses in the various agricultural subjects will include lectures by experts in each from the college of agriculture and from outside that institution, while all of the facilities of the college and the agricultural experiment station will be placed at the disposal of all those who attend.

Henry Pieper of Scottsbluff, Neb., and Mrs. Agnes Stoll of Clyde were issued a marriage license here yesterday.

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The Evening Service—Is It Doomed, and What Can Be Done?

Are evening church services poorly attended? And what can be done to change this condition?

According to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, the Sidney Street Presbyterian Church of that city began holding services Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, instead of Sunday night. These vesper services will continue through January and February and longer, if the congregation approves. The St. Louis paper says:

"In making these changes the congregation follows a movement toward afternoon services which is growing all over the country."

An editorial from the Christian Century about the Sunday evening service follows:

A traveling secretary who speaks regularly in churches of all denominations recently declared that the average Sunday night congregation addressed by him numbered forty-one. It may be that the experiences of a secretary do not give a real indication of the Sunday night situation in the churches because some of the strongest churches have rules against outside speakers occupying the pulpit during the height of the church season.

Nevertheless, it must be confessed that hardly one church out of fifty can boast a large Sunday night attendance. Even those churches which enjoy a spirited and well-attended morning service frequently have evening services so poorly attended that they are a drag upon both minister and congregation.

What is the answer to thos Sunday evening problem? Have the movies, the radio and the automobile permanently destroyed the possibility of holding good evening services? For a while the village church was able to maintain a prosperous night service after the city church' evening problem was imperiled. But all indications are that village and city are now suffering from a similar fate.

What is the answer to this Sunday evening problem? Ought the evening service to be frankly abandoned? Or could it be saved by a change of methods? Even if methods are changed will it be possible to conserve the religious and ethical values of the service? The churches which are most successful in their evening program are usually those which have changed their methods and gone in for stunt programs. Is there any alternative to such a program? Perhaps it would be wise to sacrifice the crowd on Sunday evening and develop a service of high educational value which would be attended by eager souls not only anxious to hear but to discuss the more difficult moral and religious problems of the day.

Sells Farm of 72 Acres.

C. R. Howell recently sold his farm of 72 acres located three miles northwest of town to Ed Spangler. The price was $135 per acre.—Burlington Junction Post.

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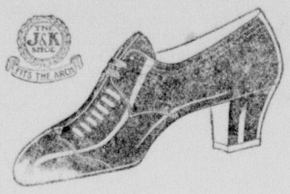

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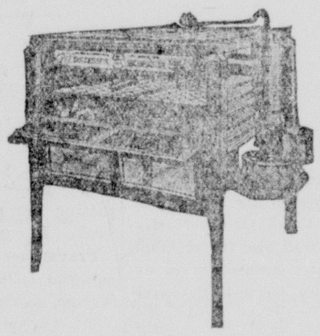

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"Blind Salesman" Plea Put to Use Again in Scheme to Sell Knit Ties

(From the Bethany Clipper).

The "blind salesman" plea is again being pushed by a St. Louis man, trying to sell knit ties to an unsuspecting public. His packages are flooding the postoffice here, and all over the country. Each package contains four ties, for which the addressee is asked to remit $1.25. On the outside of the envelope containing the ties is a drawing representing a blind man.

The sympathy plea is a remarkably sure one. There are many who succumb to the scheme and send in their checks without delay, whether or not they have use for the ties. Those who do not keep them seldom fail to return the package as requested.

About a year ago a similar sales method was forced upon the public, Under the name of Paunee Bill, using a St. Louis address, thousands of packages of knit ties were sold under the representation that the salesman was blind.

Investigators went to inquire about this Paunee Bill. At the St. Louis address given they found no blind man and no Paunee Bill. What they did find was a knitting mill, whose necktie business had dropped to virtually nothing when knit ties went out of style. Hence the mill, in order to sell products that had little or no market value, had to resort to some special tactics.

Possibly the present "blind salesman" is all that he represents. Wallace's Farmer, however, is authority for the statement that he is simply another Paunee Bill, an imaginary character brought into use by a knitting mill to sell something that could not be sold by honest methods.

There is no disputing the ties sold by the "blind man" are good. Several years ago one of them would have been worth almost what he asks for four. But since then knit ties have gone out of style and they can be bought at next to nothing. Better bargains are offered every day by Bethany merchants, and they don't pose as "blind men" either.

This and That

"Party that lost purse containing twenty dollars need worry no longer—it has been found."—Brooklyn Life.

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Go Way Back and Sit Down.
Laugh and B. Merry.
Try and Getit.

—Nate Collier in Judge

Farmers Trust Co. Force Entertained

Gala Banquet Sponsored and Executed by Charles Martin Is Tenth Annual Affair.

Twenty officers and employes of the Farmers Trust Co., were guests at the annual banquet of the bank force last night in the basement of the building. The banquet, which was the tenth annual affair of its kind, was sponsored, executed, and ministered over by Charles Martin, janitor and advisor to the officers of the bank since April 4, 1907. The color scheme was blue, orange, red, and white, suggestive of Christmas, Thanksgiving, the Fourth of July and Hallowe'en.

A radio program furnished by Station WHO, Bankers Life, Des Moines was heard during the banquet, and the following telegram was read:

"Twenty officers and employes of the Farmers Trust Co., Maryville, Mo., are listening in at their tenth annual banquet given by Charles Martin. The program is good and is coming in fine."

The menu for the banquet included everything from roast young goose with dressing a la Johnson, to Martin's special vanilla ice cream. A toast was read at the beginning of the banquet to George L. Wilfley, president of the bank, who is now in California. In the absence of Mr. Wilfley, W. C. Pierce, vice-president, was toastmaster.

The guest list included: W. C. Pierce, W. F. Phares, G. R. Ellison, A. K. Frank, M. S. Hamilton, H. D. Snyder, W. N. Deatherage, Leonard Bosch, P. R. Simpich, L. L. Gray, M. M. Curnutt, Roland Curnutt, Ernest Ellis, Kenneth Lawrence, and Misses Jessie Fisher, Nora Ritze, Emma Lehmer, Verle Pierse, Ada Fisher, and Mary Gram.

Charley was assisted in serving by C. C. Baker, Mrs. Henry Wilson, Mrs. Fannie Fleener, Mrs. Stephen Martin, Mrs. Willard Armstrong, and Mrs. Mattie Malcomb.

Knox Bear Put on Meat Block by Albany Men

(Albany Ledger).

The bear tribe of Missouri numbers one less inhabitant since last Saturday. A brown cinnamon bear which had been kept as a more or less pet by Leo Knox of Maryville, for a year or more, became so troublesome and dangerous that its duties as a pet had overlapped their usefulness.

Knox, who operates a cafe at Maryville, traded the bruin to the Yeater brothers of Albany. Last Saturday "Major" Yeater and Chas. Yarrington trucked over to Maryville, actually "loaded for bear" and in a short time after their arrival there the bear had bitten the dust.

The carcass was brought to Albany and dressed and the meat has been offered to the public from the Yarrington meat market. Aside from the local buyers, orders of the meat have been sent to Bethany, St. Joseph and other points.

The bear weighed about 225 pounds and was probably eighteen months or two years old.

Mr. Knox secured it in a drawing at the American Legion meet held at Omaha last year. After it was dressed the carcass weighed about 150 pounds. The Yarringtons are to have the hide tanned and made into a rug.

Maryville Woodmen Officers Installed

Officers of Camp No. 2052 Modern Woodmen of America were installed last night by Charles Hays of Harrisonville, district deputy, who was installing officer.

The officers installed for 1927: F. W. Smith, venerable consul. He succeeds P. R. Moore. D. E. Manley, worthy advisor; Lawrence Shanks, banker; H. S. Holt, clerk; Charles Samson, escort; E. W. Lyon, sentry; Bennett French, watchman; Ray Taylor, trustee; and Doctors L. E. Dean and K. C. Cummins, physicians.

What Jerry Says

This is the story
Of one Jimmy Rounds,
He had a wart on his face
That weighed six pounds,
He answered a patent
Medicine Ad
The result was both
Unexpected and sad,
The directions said
You must thoroughly shake
Before a dose
You attempted to take,
So he shook himself
From his head to his heels
And took a big dose
Before all of his meals.
Which was to be shaken
He misunderstood,
The result reversed
As it naturally would,
He should have read
With the utmost care
For his face is now gone
And the wart is still there.

FARM THIEVES ACTIVE AGAIN

LOSSES REPORTED NEAR BURLINGTON AND HOPKINS.

8 HOGS CARRIED OFF

Canned Fruit Is Loot In Another Robbery.—Grant Ingram Offers $100 Reward.

Hog thieves are again busy in the Burlington Junction community, two farmers having been victims of the thieves this week, according to the Burlington Junction Post. The Post says:

On Monday night three hogs, weighing about 200 pounds each and almost ready for market, were taken from the feed lot of Leonard Houston east of town. Tracks of a truck could plainly be seen and the tracks were followed to the Evans school house corner where the truck turned north. Mr. Houston lost three head of hogs in the same way only about a week previous, but did not at that time discover as plain an evidence of theft as at this time.

On Tuesday night Frank Nicholas had two hogs stolen from his farm south of town, and all indications are that the same persons did the job. The truck track could be seen plainly and the tire tread closely resembled that of the truck which visited the Houston farm the night before.

No clue as to who the thieves are has been made public, but it is understood that authorities are working on the case, and arrests may follow.

The Hopkins Journal had the following about prowlers near Hopkins recently:

Grant Ingram, living five miles west of Hopkins, had New Year visitors that were not at all welcome.

The night prowlers visited his cave, breaking the lock in order to gain entrance, and carried away several jars of canned fruit.

The thieves were not satisfied with taking all they could carry but smashed several jars and crocks in the cave before leaving.

Grant is very much exercised over the affair and offers a reward of $100 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties and here's hoping they will be located and given all that is coming to them.

Pastor Croy Lays No Claim to Books

Rev. E. W. Croy, pastor of the Methodist church here, claims no relationship to "West of the Water Tower," "Big Enough to Go With the Girls" and certain other $2 books by Homer Croy, although the writer and the minister are cousins, Rev. Croy said Tuesday. It's very much a case of every man to his calling in the Croy family, he said. Homer probably couldn't have made a go of it at anything except writing $2 novels, Rev. Croy thinks. But he does get a lot of books sold at that price, so you've got to give him credit for it. So far as sentiment goes, however, the minister thinks his cousin himself is not exactly proud of his most popular novels. In fact, when asked at a convention of writers recently concerning his ideal story, Homer Croy said tersely: "One that will sell for $2.00."—Tri-County News (King City).

To Conduct Funeral at New Market.

The Rev. R. E. Musgrave went to New Market, Iowa, today to conduct the funeral services of the mother of Mrs. Elmer Daugherty.

Elmer McKee, a farmer living near Ravenwood, Mo., has filed a petition in voluntary bankrupcy in federal court in St. Joseph. He lists liabilities of $3,300 and assets of $156.25.—St. Joseph News-Press.

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Ladies' Auxiliary Has Social Meeting

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church held a social meeting at the church last night.

Mrs. J. G. Reynolds, state president of the Woman's Missionary Union, who was scheduled to come from Kansas City, was unable to attend.

The Rev. D. H. Howerton, of St. Joseph, gave a talk on general work in Northwest Missouri. The Rev. J. A. Morse of King City, also gave a talk. Cafeteria lunch was served. Mrs. L. L. St. Clair sang at the meeting.

"Building a Church" Subject at Christian

Special Music Is Arranged for Morning and Evening Meetings; Baptismal Service.

"Building a Church" is the subject of the Rev. R. E. Musgrave's morning sermon which he will give at the First Christian Church, Sunday. At the evening service an evangelistic address will be given. A baptismal service will be given at the close of the evening service. Sunday school will be held at 9:30 o'clock and the morning service will start at 9:45 o'clock.

At the morning service the young people's choir will sing under the direction of Chilton Ross.

At the evening service the girls' and boys' chorus will sing under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Martin.

Barnard Churches in Union Services

One Last Sunday Well Attended.—Next Will Be Held at Christian Church February 13.

The M. E. Church and the Christian Church of Barnard held last Sunday evening the first of their monthly union meetings and according to the Barnard Bulletin the service was largely attended. The next union service will be given February 13 at the Christian Church of that town.

The program given Sunday night was as follows:

Orchestra Selection
Song by congregation
Invocation—Bro. C. E. Hagee
Duet—Betty Jane Campbell and Junior Phillips.
Talk—Prof. Ed Adams
Piano Solo—Bessie Dane
Vocal Solo—Mrs. R. W. Bridges.
Hig School Glee Club
Reading—Geo. Hargrave
Orchestra Selection
Male Quartet—Chas. Humberd, C. L. Phillips, E. L. Hagan, and Bert Garrett
Offering
Cornet Solo—Bert Garrett
Reading—Miss Vivian Smith
Number—Adams Trio
Musical Reading—Dr. C. D. Humberd
Orchestra Selection
Benediction—Rev. J. B. Walrafen

Modern Atheism to Be Dewar's Subject

Sermon to Close Series.—Study of Life of Jesus to Be Continued at Evening Hour.

"Our Modern Atheism" will be the subject of the Sunday morning sermon of the Rev. William N. Dewar, minister of the First Presbyterian Church. It will be the final sermon of the series which the Reverend Mr. Dewar has been giving on the problems raised by articles by James Truslow Adams and Judge Ben Lindsey on "Our Dissolving Ethics" and "The Moral Revolt."

A solo will be given by Miss Winifred Dickey. The morning worship begins at 10:45 o'clock.

At the evening worship, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, the minister will continue his sermon studies in the "Life and Teaching of Jesus." His sermon Sunday evening will deal with a few more points in the historical background of the life of Jesus, the doctrine of His pre-existence and the religious sects and their beliefs current with the times. Great interest is being taken in the studies.

The Sunday school, which meets as usual at 9:30 a. m., extends a special invitation to students of the State Teachers College. President Uel W. Lamkin is in charge of the college class.

Christian Endeavor will meet at 6:30 p. m., with "Our Covenant" as the subject for discussion and Miss Virginia Mae Scott as leader. It is to be a consecration meeting. Members will bring dues and answer roll call with Scripture verses.

Midweek services will be resumed Wednesday night, February 2, with Religion of the Greeks" as the first of a series of studies in "The Great Religions of the World."

All serivces are open to the public and strangers are cordially invited.

Widow Named Administratrix.

Mrs. Anna M. Horning, widow of the late Joseph Horning of Burlington Junction, who died January 9, yesterday was appointed administratrix of her husbands estate by Judge Jesse F. Robertson of the probate court.

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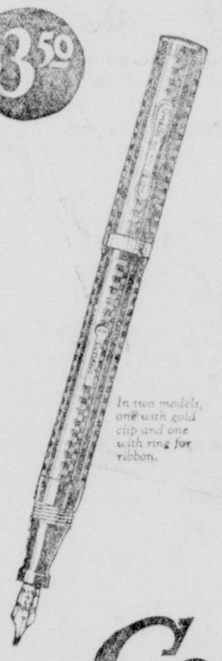

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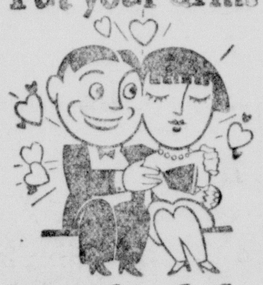

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It Made You Happy When You Made Me Cry *With Piano* GENE AUSTIN
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What Nodaway County Churches Are Doing

THE BEST "FIVE FOOT SHELF."

Comment on the Uniform International Sunday School Lesson for January 16, 1927.
Read Deut. 6; Tim. 3.

Wm. Southern, Jr.

In one of Opie Reads' delightful stories is delineated a very loveable character. Lem Jucklin was an Arkansas planter, he loved a fine horse, a pretty woman and truth-telling man. But his especial fancy was for a game rooster of the best fighting blood. Whenever he was in great trouble he would go to the pens and watch two of his best chickens fight. He was very religious and honest and often announced that he "Believed in The Book from Kiver to Kiver."

Old Lem was a Christian without guile and very human. He stood firm in his belief in the Bible without knowing anything much about it. He probably would not have understood it had he read and re-read all its wonderful passages. But he believed in the book.

Most of us believe in the Bible just that way. We almost worship a book. Our trouble is we believe in the Book, insist that what it says is the inspired word of God and do not seek to find out what it means. I believe in the old book from "Kiver to Kiver" and I do not think it at all inconsistent to try to find out just what is meant by the words I find recorded in that precious volume.

Oldest of books, the Bible is still the newest of books. It is more than a book, it is a library of sixty-six volumes bound under one cover. It is found in nearly every home. Santa Claus uses the Bible as his most popular gift book.

Dr. Elliott's five-foot shelf as a guide to the book lover is a poor collection compared to the collection of volumes we know and love as the Bible. There is not a single argument in favor of Dr. Elliott's collection which cannot be used more effectively when advocating the Bible as a collection. The Bible has the great advantage over any other selection. It is a record of both spiritual and physical life and history, it is written by holy men who were inspired by God to do the work, it has been preserved throughout the centuries, has been saved to us from the endeavors of kings and tyrants and churchmen, who used all the wealth at their disposal to destroy it. It was a great book before printing was invented and was copied and recopied by hand. In addition to this vital spark the Bible is also just as good as a literary study, just as fine as a record of high courage and vivid adventure, just as interesting when love stories are to be told and just as appropriate for the student of the ways of humanity.

We are today beginning to understand the wonderful story of the Bible. The Old Testament was written in Hebrew on papyrus and on skins, by inspired men. It tells us of the relation of God to men and his direction of the lives of men. It brings us the story of the yearning after God by the men of every age and tells us how to find Him.

The New Testament was written in Greek. It is a sequel to the Old and brings us in wonderful messages the story of Jesus, the new dispensation. The God of the Old Testament was a God of Fear, a righteous but stern judge. The God of Love, the righteous, loving yearning friend of humanity. He is the God of every human being and not the God of one tribe or one race. He is the God of the Wise Men and the Shepherds.

Jesus lived and ate and consorted with sinners. He came to save and the soul of the Samaritan woman was as priceless to Him as the soul of the princess of Judah in her aristocratic home. The soul of the woman who had sinned and whom the Elders would have stoned to death was as glowing pure pearl in the eyes of Jesus.

Most of us are like old Lem Jucklin. We do not know what the Bible means nor how to study it. We believe it from "Kiver to Kiver." We never can know all about the Bible—that is one of the fascinating features of this wonderful book. We can know much more than we do. Strange passages and entire volumes become clear and plain when we know why they were written.

The Book of Ruth was written by a devout Jew to show in a kindly way how Ezra was wrong when he separated wives from husbands and demanded that Jews marry only Jews. The book of Job was a discussion of the great question, yet unanswered, of why does God permit the righteous to suffer and reward the wicked with wealth. Job and his friends argued about this subject and even Job's wife chimed in, but they never settled it and we have not settled it. The author of Job spoiled the book by making it "end right." He would have made a successful scenario writer for the movies or a fine short story author.

The Gospel of Mark was written to preserve and present the story of the life of Jesus and what he did. Mark was a witness of some of the things but most of his work was from others. Matthew was a Jew and wrote in endeavor to tie up the Old Testament and prophets with Jesus. He wrote for the Jews. Dr. Luke paid particular attention to healing miracles. His gospel was a letter written to his friend Theophilus. John's gospel was written when he was probably the only living man who knew Jesus well. He had before him the gospels of Mark, Matthew and Luke. His own was not a biography, he left that as well done by the others. His was a spiritual interpretation from his own experience and the wisdom of seventy years after the events happened.

Paul's contributions to the New Testament were more than all the balance. They are letters written to friends and to congregations. When we understand that there is a factional fight going on in the church at Corinth and that Paul was writing to bring harmony to that church, we can read his letters to the Corinthians with the key at hand.

There were thousands of manuscripts about Jesus from which to choose and we have the selection of devout men and scholars.

I shall never cease to be thankful that in my childhood I was compelled to study the Bible, to memorize chapters and verses, and became able to recite the shorter catechism. I did not like the job and would have squirmed out of it if I could. When I got old enough to quit Sunday school I quit and for twenty years did not study the Bible. Then came the need for it and I discovered much to my surprise that the work unwillingly done as a boy was still with me and of enormous value.

The Bible should be studied intelligently and constantly and the study can be made a great pleasure and a wonderful profit. I mark my Bible. I sometimes buy a cheap Bible and cut it to pieces for use in Sunday school work. The Bible merely as a printed book has no especial virtue. It is valuable only as we use it and use it intelligently.

The Bible gives us the story of God's dealings with mankind. It is an unvarnished record of the days when men were cruel and ignorant and when human life was cheap. It becomes a progressive record of the times of recorded history. As we read The Book we find the record brought down to date. We know more about the Bible, how it came, how it has been preserved to us and what it means to tell us, than men have ever known before, more than has ever been known by any other people of other times. There are still devoted men and women giving their lives to this work, we are still discovering ancient records and translating them, we are getting a better view of God and of his eternal purposes and of his methods of dealing with men all the time.

The Bible is our spiritual guide, our standard by which we measure religion, our way of knowing God.

THE CHRISTIAN'S USE OF THE BIBLE.

Deut. 6: 4-9; 2 Tim. 3: 14-17.

Deut. 6:4. Hear, O Israel, Jehovah our God is one Jehovah.

5. And thou shalt love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

6. And these words which I command thee this day shall be upon my heart.

7. And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk to them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shalt be for frontlets between thine eyes.

9. And thou shalt write them upon the door-post of thy house, and upon thy gates.

2 Tim. 3: 14. But abide thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them.

15. And that from a babe thou hast known the sacred writings which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16. Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness.

17. That the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work.

Golden Text—Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path.—Ps. 119: 105.

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Prather to Preach on "The Fight of Faith"

Baptist Pastor's Evening Subject Will Be "In the Footsteps of the Master."

The subject of the morning sermon by the Rev. G. L. Prather, at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning will be "The Fight of Faith." The choir anthem will be "Abide with Me" by DeRees. The evening worship will begin as usual at 7:30 with subject "In the Footsteps of the Master."

Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 Maurice Woodburn is just beginning his service as president. Other new officers and group leaders are also beginning their work, and they earnestly desire a good attendance of the young people.

Building Day Sunday at First Methodist

"The Church's Counsellor" Will Be Subject of Dr. C. C. James' Morning Sermon.

Building Day Sunday will be observed at the First Methodist Sunday School.

"The Church's Counsellor" is the subject of the morning sermon and "No Other Alternative" is the theme which Dr. C. C. James, minister has chosen for his evening talk.

Prayer meeting will be held Wednesday night.

Dr. E. L. Robinson of Cameron will give the morning address at the First Methodist Church, January 23.

CLEARMONT

(Clearmont News)

Baptist Church.

A fine spirit every session of Sunday, the promise of our Lord Jesus that "Where two or three are met together in my name, there am I in the midst," was fulfilled again, His presence was manifest.

W. W. Laughlin, Pastor.

Christian Chu

Sunday School and church services at the usual time next Sunday.

M. I. Rose, Pastor.

CONFERENCE AT HOPKINS

REPRESENTATIVES FROM CLEARMONT AND MARYVILLE PRESENT.

SUBJECT IS "TRAINING"

Miss Dorothy England Gives Report Of Birmingham, Ala., Meeting Which She Attended in December.

A bi-monthly conference was held at the Baptist Church at Hopkins yesterday. Representatives from Hopkins, Clearmont and Maryville were present.

A devotional service conducted by the Rev. Guy L. Prather was given before the noon hour. The women of the Hopkins church served a dinner in the church basement.

The Rev. D. H. Howerton of St. Joseph, enlistment evangelist of the northwest Missouri district presided at the meeting. The general subject was "Training." Various phases of the terms were brought out. The Reverend Howerton talked on "Jesus' Training Of His Disciples." The Rev. J. A. Morse of King City, also gave a talk. Miss Dorothy England of Maryville gave a report of the Great Student Conference at Birmingham, Ala., which was held in December. Miss England attended the conference.

The Rev. W. W. Laughlin of Clearmont talked on his experiences as a minister in northwest Missouri for the past twenty years.

About 45 persons attended the conference.

Among those who attended the conference from Maryville were: Miss Orril Helwig, Miss Eva Davis, Miss Dorothy England, Mrs. J. A. Speirs, Mrs. J. F. Cook, Mrs. Martin Hartman, Mrs. William Everhart, Mrs. Robert Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Ford and the Rev. and Mrs. Guy L. Prather.

"Mrs. Zebedee," Subject M. E. Church, S.

The Rev. R. A. Mitchell, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who talked on Mr. Zebedee last Sunday will talk on Mrs. Zebedee this week.

Sunday School will be held at 9:40 o'clock and morning worship is to be held at 10:45 o'clock. Epworth League will be held at 6:30 o'clock. Evangelistic service will be held at 7:30 o'clock when the Reverend Mitchell will talk on "Who Is Jesus."

This service is the initial service of a series of Sunday night evangelistic services. They will cover a period of eight Sunday nights. The first four Sunday nights will be sponsored by the young people of the church. The public is given a cordial invitation to attend.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell will speak to the College Bible Class Sunday morning on the subject, God's Forgiveness.

First Church of Christ Scientist.

Services at First Church of Christ, Scientist, on South Main street, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock:

Subjct of lesson sermon: "Life."

Wednesday evening service at 8 o'clock.

Reading rooms in church building open every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 3 to 5 o'clock.

Sunday School Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to these services and to visit the reading rooms.

SCHOOL WILL BE HELD HERE

STANDARD LEADERSHIP TRAINING AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

DATES, JANUARY 17-21

F. W. Hutton, Dean of Faculty, Comes Tomorrow to Assist in Enrollment and to Complete Plans. Daily Schedule.

5:00 P. M. — Group Conferences on Vital Problems.
Monday—Leadership Training.
Tuesday—A Three-Year Program of work.
Wednesday—Missionary Education.
Thursday—Elders and Deacons—J. T. Bloom.
Children and the Church—
Friday—Young People's Conference (Other problems in addition to these will be considered).
6:00 P. M.—Supper
7:15 P. M. — Leadership Training Classes
1. "The Educational Task of the Local Church," (Bower) Mr. Hutton.
2. "Junior Methods" (Powell) Miss Callarman.
3. "Youth Organized for Religious Education" (Maus) Miss Evans.
4. "Training the Devotional Life" (Weigle-Tweedy) Mr. Barr.
8:05 P. M.—Worship in Assembly—Mr .Barr
8:20 P. M. —Inspirational Addresses
Monday—Educational Evangelism.
Tuesday—The Fine Arts and Religious Education.
Wednesday—Men and the Church School.
Thursday—The Seventh District and the World Task—J. T. Bloom.
Friday—Closing Program.
8:40 P. M.—Leadership Training Classes
Second session. Same courses as above.
9:30 P. M.—Closing.

The Standard Leadership Training School of the First Christian Church will be held January 17 to 21.

An urgent invitation is extended to ministers and church officers who are interested in the educational program of the church, to bible school superintendents, officers and teachers who desire further training for their work, to prospective teachers and officers who are eager to equip themselves for the larger service, to leaders of all church organizations who are eager to serve more effectively and to parents, public school teachers and all who are dealing with the problems of unfolding life.

The school is promoted and conducted jointly by the United Christian Missionary Society and the Missouri Christian Missionary Society.

S. W. Hutton, dean of the faculty of the training school will arrive in Maryville tomorrow to assist in working up the enrollment. Mr. Hutton has served in 75 leadership training schools in 14 years field service in religious education.

Other members of the faculty will be:

Miss Imo Evans, of Lathrop, Mo.; an efficient leader of young people who has demonstrated through a period of years that the church has a real challenge for young people in a carefully planned four-fold program of Christian activity.

Mr. Harold G. Barr, of Liberty, Mo.; a minister of unusual ability whose contribution to the worship program of the church and church school has been of lasting worth to the congregation where he now serves and to others as well.

Miss Eva Callarman, Des Moines, Ia.; state superintendent of Religious Education for Iowa ,a specialist in children's work, with rich background of experience as teacher in the public schools and in the First Christian Church, Oklahoma City.

Mr. J. T. Bloom, St. Joseph, Mo.,; a minister with a record of fruitful service, superintendent of the Seventh District composed of twenty-three counties in Northwestern Missouri in which 240 or more Christian churches are located.

The morning sermon will be devoted to that cause. The evening sermon subject will be "How We Got Our Bible." Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Interesting Services at the Churches of the County

PICKERING.

Methodist Church.

Dr. E. L. Robison, Dist. Supt., will conduct the second Quarterly Conference Saturday evening in the church at 7:30. All official members especially are urged to be present.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.

Worship and sermon by Dr. Robinson, 11 a. m.

Young People's meeting, 6:30 p. m., Lucille Doughty Leader.

Song Prelude and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

The members of the Epworth League are to have a program and social this Friday evening at the church.

Good Hope.

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Preaching by Dr. Robinson, Dist. Supt. 2 p. m.

"If every one in my community
were just like me,
What kind of a community would
my community be?"

Reader, be a booster for the church, the Sunday school and all other religious interests, as well also for the Public schools, a better community in every way and every worth-while enterprise.

H. A. Doughty, Minister.

A Free Community Lyceum Course.

A Free Community Lyceum Course consisting of five first-class attractions is being planned by the Pickering Methodist Church to be given in the church in the near future. Watch the Democrat-Forum for further announcements of attractions, dates, etc.

H. A. Doughty, Publicity Chairman.

BURLINGTON JUNCTION.

Burlington Junction Post)

M. E. Church.

The services next Sunday will be held in the two south rooms of the church building as the main auditorium is undergoing remodeling. Our slogan is "Two public services every Sunday, rain or shine, hot or cold."

J. Howard Thompson, Pastor.

Christian Church.

Sunday is Christian Education Day.

BARNARD

(From Barnard Bulletin)

M. E. Church

Regular services Sunday. Sunday School at 10 a. m., morning worship at 11 and evening worship at 7:30 p.m.

Christian Church.

Regular services Sunday. Morning and evening sermons by the pastor, C. E. Hagee.

RAVENWOOD

(Ravenwood Gazette)

Methodist Church.

There will be services all the week with preaching by the pastor. Beginning Monday, January 17, Presiding Elder Robin Gould will be with us and preach for the week. Everyone is invited to come and help make these services worth while. Everyone should be much in prayer this week that we may have the blessings of the Heavenly Father in our efforts to do His will. We shall be glad to see you at Sunday School and League each Sunday.

S. M. Bean, Pastor.

SKIDMORE

(From Skidmore News).

M. E. Church

All regular services Sunday. Subject at morning sermon "The Church Putting Up Its Fight." At night the subject will be the "Temptation of Jesus." "Was it Real?" and "Was He Tempted by the Same Appeals as we Are?"

M. E. Church, South.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. J. W. Weddle, jr., superintendent. Let us have as good a Sunday School next Sunday as we had last Sunday.

The people at New Hope finished putting the roof on the church last week. It certainly looks fine.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Come out to the prayer service, and we will try to help you.

No preaching services at Skidmore, next Sunday, as the pastor holds his regular services at New Hope.

Paul K. Holland, Pastor.

Burr Oak.

Last Sunday was cold and windy, but still we had an attendance of 46 at the Burr Oak Sunday School. We are glad to see the interest shown in our Sunday School work. But why not? We have a band of teachers that make the lessons worth while.

There were nine present at the mid-week prayer service last Thursday evening. We will meet this week at the home of Jesse McDonald. These prayer services are worth while.

Services for next Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a. m.; morning worship at Minnesota Valley, 11 a. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m.; evening hour, Burr Oak, 7:45 p. m.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

C. C. Pritchard, Pastor.

Workman Chapel.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Communion 11 a. m.

Preaching Monday night, 7:30 p. m.

All are invited to attend these services.

ALVA L. RAGSDALE, Pastor.

HOPKINS

Methodist Church.

The usual services for next Sunday in the morningl Sunday schoo, at 9:15. At 11 o'clock the pastor will preach.

Dr. E. L. Robison, the district superintendent will preach at 7:30 p. m., and at the close of the service will hold the session of the Quarterly Conference.

Christian Church.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching service at 11 a. m.; evening preaching service at 7:30. The contest between the men and women will start next Sunday and the points will run as follows: On time in attendance, 10 points; if tardy only, 5 points. No one counted after the lessons begin. Church attendance each service, 1 point; collection, 1 point for every 2 cents.

Aid will meet at Walter Pistole's next Friday afternoon. Choir practice at the parsonage Wednesday night, at 7:30.

Rev. B. H. Harman, Pastor.

Baptist Church.

We are expecting all our own folks next Sunday. Please do not disappoint us. A. L. Gartin, Pastor.

DRAMATIC EVENTS IN BIBLE HISTORY : : By Harlowe R. Hoyt and Walter Scott

Paul of Tarsus.

Paul, otherwise Saul, was a Jew of Tarsus with the privileges of a Roman citizen. As a young man, he was sent to Jerusalem, where he was educated as a rabbi in the school of Gamaliel. Later he became a tent maker and practiced the trade.
A Pharisee like his father before him, wise in Jewish lore, Paul became active in his persecution of the Christians. He was one of the leaders in the stoning of Stephen, the first Christian martyr.
Given permission, Paul started for Damascus to bring back Christians who had fled from Jerusalem. But before he reached the city he beheld a vision. A brilliant light blinded him and with it Jesus was revealed to him as the true Messiah.
Thirteen epistles were written by Paul during his ministry and among those were the ones to Timothy, whom he had adopted as a fellow traveller and worker, in which he outlined the duties of ministry and the observance of religious obligations.

The Web of Fear

By John Goodwin

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WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR.

Through a plot engineered by James Mulholland and five aides, Ames, Chester, Quantrill, Fenne and Vereker, Robert Masterton, accused of selling government secrets, is sentenced to 12 years hard labor in Atlanta prison. His millionaire grandfather is the only one who believes him innocent. A beautiful and wealthy young woman, Cynthia Knowles, is greatly affected by the verdict. The plotters think they are perfectly safe with Masterton behind the bars. Vereker is arrested and sentenced to three years in Atlanta. Cynthia confesses to Mulholland that her love for Masterton is dead and her life is ruined. She agrees to marry Mulholland. Masterton's grandfather dies and leaves him six million dollars. Fenne demands money from Mulholland who brutally thrusts him aside. A few hours after Cynthia is married she receives a note accusing Mulholland of engineering Masterton's conviction. Mulholland cannot convince her of his innocence, and she locks him out of her room. Vereker, dying in prison, offers proofs to free Masterton. He ask's Masterton's forgiveness and receives it after giving him the names of the conspirators. Masterton solemnly promises that he will not invoke the law but will take vengeance into his own hands. Back in New York Masterton befriends Sadie Hicks, hungry and looking for a job, and accidentally learns from her that Cynthia has married Mulholland. He gives Sadie a job as his secretary and declines an offer to take up his old duties. He sees Mulholland, Quantrill, Ames and Chester dining at the Ritz, greets them as though they were friends and walks over to Cynthia who is dining in another part of the room. He drives home with her. She tries to atone for her lack of faith in him. He tells her she is the only woman he will ever love. Mulholland joins them and learns that Cynthia has told Masterton of the anonymous accusation. On his way home Fenne meets Masterton and asks him to his room, promising to give him valuable information. Chester goes to see Fenne the next morning and finds him murdered.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

"Just like the little coward," said Chester, discussing Feene's betrayal of them.

CHAPTER 16

By Whose Hand?

The policeman made his examination formally and professionally and calling the janitress, asked he to telephone the police station.

"Been dead several hours," he said. He inspected the revolver. It was loaded in five chambers. The sixth held a spent shell. After a careful look round he went into the passage and interrogated the janitress, who was incoherent.

"Now, sir," said the policeman to Chester. "I'll ask you a few questions. You arrived here at five past eight; she opened the door for you. I understand. You are acquainted with the deceased? Was he a particular friend of yours?"

"Hardly a friend; an acquaintance."

"You seem very upset, sir."

"Upset? Good heavens, man, isn't it enough to upset anybody?"

"No doubt," said the other, and he asked a number of questions, noting the answers in his book. He did not obtain very much information. Chester's attitude was that of a man profoundly shocked, distressed and bewildered.

"Well, sir, I must ask you to stay till the Sergeant comes. He'll be here in a few minutes.

There was no help for it. Chester remained. In less than five minutes the Sergeant arrived, and with him a doctor carrying a handbag. The doctor examined the body carefully.

The Sergeant, a sallow, alert-looking man with remarkably intelligent eyes, commenced a careful survey of the situation. He said little, but he glanced at the policeman's notes, put another question or two to Chester, and took some measurements on the floor with a tape.

"This man," said the doctor, "has been dead about six or seven hours."

"One-thirty a. m.," said the Sergeant. "Does anybody know whether he possessed a revolver?"

Nobody knew that Fenne had owned such a thing. The Sergeant carefully searched the dead man's clothes, and found nothing but the bunch of keys, a watch, and thirty-five cents in silver. He rose thoughtfully and examined, without disturbing them, the ashes in the grate.

The Sergeant took a final, careful look round, examined the desk, and the writing-pad on the table.

"A layer has been removed from this very recently," he said. Then he turned to Chester.

"You knew the dead man; can you suggest anybody who might have been an enemy of his?" he asked quietly.

"Enemy?" said Chester. "No. Why? It looks as if the poor fellow had no worse enemy than himself!" He stared with increasing bewilderment, and his face lost its colour. "Good Heavens, man, do you find any doubt here, that he took his own life."

"I should not care to commit myself," said the doctor, opening his bag, "this is a very curious case."

The Sergeant made no comment or reply. He preserved a grim silence, gazing thoughtfully at Chester.

"Very well," he said, "if that is all you can tell us, Mr. Chester, I won't trouble you any further at present."

"Thank you. Any information I can give—you know—you have my address?"

"Oh, yes," said the Sergeant. "We can always find you when we want you, sir.

Chester stood not on the order of his going. With the deepest and most grateful feeling of relief he left the building.

His emotions were very mingled as he buttoned up his jacket and hurried into the street, where he jumped into the first taxi that came along. The whole affair bewildered him; it was quite unlike his preconceived notions of a police investigation. The taxi set him down at Quantrill's house.

In a few moments he was in the library upstairs, where he found awaiting him Quantrill, Ames and Mulholland.

"Well?" exclaimed Quantrill eagerly. Chester turned the key in the lock before answering. He opened his jacket and emptied on to the table everything he had brought away from Fenne's room.

"Did any of you know," asked Chester, "that Fenne owned a revolver?"

"Yes," replied Ames, "I know the fool generally carried one. But what—"

"Dead," said Chester briefly. "Shot through the head. Time, one-thirty this morning. Pistol lying beside him. Police in charge."

He saw before him two very badly shaken men. Mulholland, who was sitting in the arm-chair, made no comment. Chester gave his account rapidly and clearly, omitting nothing. There was no interruption till he had finished.

"Do you mean to say," exclaimed Quantrill, "that though the pistol was beside him there's any doubt that Fenne took his own life?"

"That's the impression the police Sergeant gave me—that he doubted it."

The three turned with one accord and looked at Mulholland in silence. The same thought had been growing in the minds of them all.

"Chief, was this thing your work?" said Ames.

"No!" said Mulholland curtly.

He saw that they only half believed him.

"Jim, I'd be easier in my mind if I thought it was," muttered Quantrill.

"And I would be easier in mine," replied Mulholland grimly. "If it had been my work. But it wasn't."

He rose and strode across to the table.

"Go through the stuff," he said.

They overhauled the papers that had been brought from Fenne's rooms. They hardly knew whether to re relieved or disappointed; there was apparently nothing among the papers of any importance.

"I brought the stuff on chance—all I could find. I don't think I missed anything; unless somebody had been through the place before me," said Chester. He produced the wad of blotting-paper from another pocket. He glanced at the few blurred words that sprawled across it; as he had noticed before they had been written within a few hours, for the purple in the ink had not turned black. He held the sheet up to the mirror. They were evidently the finish of some laboriously written document, in a shaky hand. . . . .

". . . .and I declare every statement that I have made above to be the truth.

Julius Fenne."

"Just like the little coward—right to the end," said Chester grimly. "I expected something like this. What could that have been but a confession?"

"Why a confession—and where is it?" said Ames anxiously.

"Ah—where," said Quantrill. "You say—there were ashes in the grate. Ches.?"

"Yes. But who knows what they were? Who can read the truth out of such a riddle as this—it's no good wrangling over it," said Chester impatiently. "Burn all this stuff anyway!"

He thrust the wad of blotting and all the papers into the fire. There was also Fenne's pocket-case—some curious items in it but nothing that bore on the present mystery, and $75 in bills. It was rather surprising that the improvident Fenne had so much money. Everything except the money, Chester at once consigned to the flames. When the blaze had died down and the ashes had settled, there was a long silence.

"I am certain of only one thing," said Mulholland, "Masterton was the last man who saw Fenne alive and Masterton is the only man who knows how and why Fenne came by his death. The inquest," he added, "will throw a light on that."

"I hope it won't throw a light on us!" said Quantrill tremulously. "They are bound to call Ches. as a witness."

Mulholland shrugged his shoulders.

"Ches., being fortunately innocent has nothing to fear," he said. "Let us make the best of this—you are alarming yourselves needlessly. We are very well rid of Fenne, he was an active danger. If this affair lies either directly or indirectly at Masterton's door—as I am convinced it does—then Masterton has blundered. He has blundered even worse than Fenne."

The other three looked at each other, and found it cold comfort. Whether Fenne had blundered or not, he was dead.

(To Be Continued).

"Willie Willis" in Prototype It's Robert Quillen, Himself

For the past several months the Democrat-Forum has been publishing Robert Quillen's popular little comic "Willie Willis." Every day for the past two years Mr. Quillen has written a paragraph for "Willie" to say. Folks wonder how he is able to keep it up, for he has the knack of making us all remember when we were the age of "Willie Willis."

ROBERT QUILLEN As He Looks Today.

The editor of the Democrat-Forum is just in receipt of a letter from Mr. Quillen enclosing a picture of himself taken when he was a boy. It is printed herewith to let our readers become better acquainted with one of the greatest paragraphers in America today.

"Dear Mr. Todd:

"Today I found in an old album a picture of myself taken when I was as old as little Willie Willis is now.

"I am dressed, you will observe, for the occasion, but out of character. No doube I was miserable.

"In my normal and happy state I was barefoot, with one toe tied up; and I had a cave and made kites and whittled out boats to sail on the mid pond. I fastened clay balls on the end of sticks and hurled them against the walls of brick buildings, where they stuck fast. I built cages for my pigeons and rabbits. I snitched some of Dad's eating tobacco from a type case at the office and later offered my first hearfelt prayer. I ate green peaches, and peddled salve to get a pony that I never got, and smoked corn silk and planned to run away from home and grow up a bad, bad man and a terror to the cow country.

"In fact, I was a normal boy of the 90's, full of a great curiosity, eager for adventure, often in need of spanking, and yet camouflaged behind a cherubic countenance as you can see.

"Cordially,

"ROBERT QUILLEN."

Here's how the "sage and Philosopher of Fountain Inn" looked at the age of nine.

Don't you think Quillen at the age of nine resembled "Willie Willis"? Isn't he just the type of boy you would expect to hear say, "Mamma wasn't here to ask, an' I practiced usin' my own judgment an' cut the cake for Skinny an' Pug an' me," or "Pug ain't got no sense, hardly. I copied his example in 'rithmetic today an' it was wrong."

Pickering

O. G. Null.

H. J. Sadler and family of St. Joseph spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives here returning home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Elmer Hatfield of Bedford, Ia., visited here Wednesday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Agnes Lunte.

Arthur Wilson and family moved Thursday from the Coler property in the west part of town to the Chas. Garten property just west of the post office.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Fisher of Fruitland, Idaho, visited friends and relatives in this vicinity the first of the week. The Fisher family formerly lived north of Gaynor and moved to Idaho about twenty years ago. They have been visiting relatives near Sheridan and Gaynor for a week or more.

Raymond Schroyer of Greeley, Colorado, a former resident of Happy Hollow neighborhood visited a short time with old time friends here Tuesday.

A deal was consummated the first of the week in which C. B. Reed sold his residence property to E. B. Mobley, giving immediate possession of a part of the rooms. The Reed family will occupy a part of the rooms until they can make other arrangements. Mr. Reed is contemplating selling his barber shop here, and engaging in some other business.

The storm which struck here Wednesday night put a crimp in the spring-like weather which has prevailed for the past few weeks, and which had been so favorable for the completion of corn husking and other fall work which was delayed by wet weather earlier in the fall. Practically all the corn is in the crib only a few scattering fields remaining to be husked. The weather has also been ideal for getting up wood and those who depend upon wood for fuel have improved the opportunity to get out their year's supply before spring.

Fayette—Cornerstone of Swinney Conservatory of Music and Religious Education to be laid, Jan. 5.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsilitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

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"My Twenty-Four Hours"

By Benito Mussolini, Premier of Italy

as told to

THOMAS B. MORGAN, Rome Manager of the United Press.

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(This is the ninth of a series of articles on his daily life and work by Benito Mussolini, as told to Thomas B. Morgan, Rome manager of the United Press. Each article in this series has been personally revised, corrected and approved by Premier Mussolini.)

In many ways, I am a monastic. Even though my life has been full of adventure and struggle, it has never been spent in extravagant living. The desires of the body have received scant consideration. Somehow, I have managed to live above the mere satiation of the cravings of the flesh and to dwell on those things which might lead to substantial and beneficial achievement. Indeed, I doubt whether many in the monastic orders adhere so closely to their chosen rules of life as my severe but self-imposed asceticism forces me.

I fast twice or thrice a month. I live in solitude and do not smoke or drink.

Fasting carries with it an inestimable spiritual good as well as a physical. I can readily appreciate why monastic orders have been given to fasting for it quickens spiritual fervor and seems to lift one above the mundane influences with which we are surrounded. New avenues of thought, outside those of our every day routine, open and we live in an atmosphere which transcends that of the common intercourse below.

For these two or three days every month, I drink only a glass or two of sugared water. This serves to keep down the pangs of hunger when they remind me at mid-day that it is time to eat. Besides, it keeps the ordinary processes in working order while the absence of nourishment allows the system to free itself of misused and decayed food. The rest of the organs is of potent assistance in restoring them to efficient functioning and in bringing about a general adjustment of the system. When one has completed the fast, he cannot but be impressed by the sense of cleanliness which rules the body and the mind, as well as by the genuinely healthy feeling which comes with it. During the abstention from food, I follow my usual daily routine without taking any special rest, attending to the affairs of the government as if it were an ordinary day.

And this occasional fast, keeping the body and mind in a somewhat special plane of health and thought, serves also to keep it free from useless and redundant tissues which might burden the physical and mental operations. I cannot but see impediment to these operations when surplus tissues are allowed to accumulate. I detest fat. I am unrelenting in that. I give no quarter to those who allow their bodies to become laden with rolls of burdensome and unnecessary flesh. I have no compassion on them. My own brother, Arnaldo, is excessively rotund but he finds no sympathy in me for that. In the rapid pace which fascism is setting for all Italians, it is necessary to be lithe and athletic. Though I have great affection for Arnaldo, if he eats too much, he must pay the penalty. He can readily reduce in the same manner as I keep my weight down,—by a rigid disciplined self-control and self-denial.

One day during a fascist march in honor of the poet Oriani, now dead but living in our doctrine, someone said to me that my brother was not able to continue the fast pace I was setting I replied.

"I have no pity on fat men. This I say to all of you. In reality, I lament them sometimes, and then again, they amuse me and put me in a good humor. Fat you cannot be."

A fat woman is even a greater abomination. I cannot endure great rolls of flesh on what might have been, the frame of a great beauty. Italian girls to the age of twenty are surpassing loveliness but often beyond that, they get careless with diet, eat macaroni and begin to take on flesh. Then, the lines which once marked them as the embodiment of grace, begin to bulge and swell and the once great beauty becomes a monstrasity.

Each must look to his own problem to keep thin. Some get fat on the meagerest diet, others can eat the day long and still remain thin. Each must study that which best fits him in order to keep himself within his weight. Few there are who really have a problem In most cases, the question is solved by diet and exercise. Eat meagerly and live an active life.

And, while I live a most active life, it is in some measure a solitary one. Leaving the Palazzo Viminale or the Palazzo Chigi, I am alone. There is never a soul allowed to accompany me home. From that time, until I return to work, I remain alone.

My meals I insist on taking by myself. I cannot tolerate company at table. It is a passion in me. I cannot explain why I must be absolutely alone during my meals. As I have said before, it would be an honor, even for my own brother, to be invited to lunch. When my brother comes to Rome, he eats in his hotel and I eat in my own home. When he comes to see me, he comes to the Viminale or Chigi Palaces. I cannot trace this trait of table estrangement. It has no philosophy, no reason for being but it is there.

It was said of Byron that he had a similar peculiarity. As much as he admired the great Ravenna beauty, Countess Guiccioli, he left the table when she once sat with him. Though they had spent many happy hours at other times, yet at the table he could not stand her. He said eating robbed her of her beauty. In my case, on my long hard road from youth, I found myself beside all manner of men. Many times, their talk would not be in tune with mine. I seldom found a companion with whom I could join in harmonious communion. Thus it might have been that there I cultivated the trait.

I have make exceptions to this rigid table rule, it may be said, in the case of teas and official banquets. Tea is different. It permits of greater ease and is more of a social function. One other. The American hotel-keepers came to tea with me in the Villa Torlonia. It was summer and we held it in the open air, where there was opportunity for everyone to fraternize. We cannot call a tea exactly being at table.

I have a horror for banquets. There are two things I consider unendurable in life. The one is to listen to a speech being read, and the other is to attend a banquet. The latter is one of those things that I am unequivocally against. Sometimes, it comes in the round of my official duties to attend a dinner. It is more than a useless performance for me. All I do is to sit there and watch the others eat. I am so set against these formal dinners that I would do anything to avoid them. The food is too abundant and the ceremony too elaborate. My simple tastes are overwhelmed on such occasions.

The world owes it to the Americans for a little step forward in the serving of banquets. While I do not approve of banquets, I agree perfectly with the idea of separate tables. I hate those long never-ending rows of eaters, seated as if they were groups of boys at a severely managed boy's school with a stern rector at the head counting each mistaken movement as a mark against them in their behavior. The small table is nearer my idea, and though it does not approach the ideal of a single place, it at least, breaks away from the rigidity of the boarding-school.

To fasting and solitude, I add abstinence from smoking and drink. I will treat the latter in a later article.

I smoked while at the front. A cigarette was a great relaxation. I always went "over the top" with a lighted cigarette in my mouth. It permitted a certain measure of abandon and helped me maintain a cool demeanor. I have seen men in the throes of bombardment, rattled with fright, and yet when given a smoke, they completely relaxed. Men brought from the trenches wounded, tense with terror of the fight, light them a cigarette and they forget pain and horror.

Smoking can be a very pleasant distraction. Men enjoy their cigar or cigarette with unusual delight. Such delight comes no more to me. Smoking is a habit to be appraised purely for what it is worth to the individual. I can readily see, that for some men, it permits their complete mental relaxation from one or from many thoughts. I have no need now to cultivate smoking inasmuch as I relax whenever I choose and though I may miss a pleasure I may gain in energy.

For woman, smoking should be indulged in with due regard to her special needs. If there be danger that her mission in life may be affected, then smoking should be practised with due regard for that mission.

In his next article of this series to appear in The Democrat-Forum and Tribune tomorrow, Premier Mussolini tells why he is a teetotaler. He says he feels that even the lightest wine is a deterrent to perfect efficiency and that while he favors wine drinking among the laboring classes he thinks it unwise for brainworkers.

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FOR SALE—All kinds of second-hand washing machines. Hand, power and electric.—Howard Wray Hardware Co.

FOR SALE—Baled wheat straw.—Fred Stiens, Farmers 13-16.

FOR SALE—5 tons timothy and clover baled.—C. F. Dempsey, Farmers 34-23.

RESIDENCES AND ROOMS

FARMS, LANDS FOR RENT 41

FOR RENT—121-acre farm, 5 miles east Maryville.—C. E. Emick, 210 North 6th, St. Joseph, Missouri.

FOR RENT—First-class chicken farm. 10 acres, 8½ miles from Maryville, half mile from good school; about 6 acres good pasture, plenty of water and fruit, fair improvements.—See Stephen Vilos at 209 East Third.

FOR RENT—515 acres, 3½ miles Southeast of Burlington Junction.—Write or phone Harry T. Wilson, Route No. 3, St. Joseph.

HOUSES FOR RENT 42

FOR SALE—5-room modern cottage, West 3rd Street. Full lot, $3,000. Possession at once. A real bargain. Yeo Brothers.

FOR RENT—5-room new cottage, partly modern, garage in basement. Possession at once, $20.00 per month. Yeo Bros.

ROOMS FOR RENT 43

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping on the first floor in a modern home, also a garage if wanted.—Hanamo 3511 or this office.

FOR RENT—Two downstairs rooms, modern.—Hanamo 3533, 302 East 1st.

BUSINESS PROPERTY FOR SALE 45

FOR SALE—A nice clean little stock, consisting of shoes, dry goods, and groceries. Invoice about $3,500. On account of failing health would like to sell soon. Good opening for a live merchant.—Address Box 21, Elmo.

Graham

Mrs. Emma Cox of Maryville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Conway and family.

Mrs. Robert Kyle and daughters, Rachel Elizabeth and Dixie Lee and Mrs. W. H. Morris spent Wednesday at the Clarence Leeper home.

Walter Bussell visited his parents in Mount Moriah Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Geyer, Miss Rose Geyer and Raymond Geyer were shopping in St. Joseph Wednesday.

Mrs. Reed Noblet went to Fillmore this week to take care of her sister, Mrs. Calvin Shores, who returned Wednesday from a St. Joseph hospital. Mrs. Shores is improving nicely from her operation.

We are glad to see that the town board is having the snow dragged off the streets. It will be very beneficial.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McDowell were called to St. Joseph Tuesday by the severe illness of Bernice Hershaw. She was taken suddenly ill, and taken to the hospital, but death occurred Wednesday noon. The funeral will take place Friday at Oregon, Mo., at 2:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Freytag entertained Miss Winona Zimmerman and Miss Bernice Snelling at dinner Wednesday.

Mrs. August Neuffer, who went to a St. Joseph hospital last week for an operation of the nose, returned home Wednesday.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Shields have purchased the 160 acre farm south of Maryville, known as the Leland Denning farm, formerly owned by W. R. Hukill.

The Royal Neighbors initiated four new members into their lodge Tuesday night, in the presence of about thirty guests from Skidmore, Mound City, and Maitland. After initiation, a supper was served and a social hour enjoyed. The new members are Mrs. Jasper Stiverson, Mrs. Dale Baublits, Miss Hazel Keller, and Ethel Baer. Several more members are to be taken at the next meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Findley entertained at a 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday in honor of the birthday of Miss Winona Zimmerman. Other invited guests were Miss Bernice Snelling, Miss Nelle Swinehart, Miss Esther Fordyce, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Mowry.

Mrs. E. G. Hilsabeck motored to Barnard Monday and spent the day with her sisters, Mrs. Walter Dougan and Mrs. Roy Dane.

Miss Maybell Williams spent the week-end with her parents in Bolckow.

Mrs. C. C. McDowell was called to St. Joseph Tuesday evening by the serious illness of Miss Berenice Hershaw. Miss Hershaw was a member of the Graham High School last year.

Members of the I. O. O. F. and Elkhorn Rebecca lodges held a public joint installation at the I. O. O. F. hall on Jan. 4. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan and Miss Florence Jordan of Skidmore assisted with the installation. The following Rebekahs were installed: Mrs. Ida Adkins, Past Noble Grand; Mrs. Fra Thornton, Noble Grand; Mrs. Minnie Sipes, Vice Grand; India Davis, Secretary; Rose Long, Treas.; Irene McGrew, Warden; Mina Forcade, Conductor; Ida Adkins, Chaplin; Stella Bose, Inside Guardian; Mrs. James Scott, Right Supporter. The I. O. O. F. officers were Ray Marcus, Noble Grand, Marvin Mowry, Vice Grand, George Bennett, Sec. and Clyde Long, Treas. An oyster supper was served by the Rebekahs to about seventy-five guests.

Mrs. Guy Sewell of Yuma, Colo., is visiting relatives.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Chas. Wakely. A very delicious lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Minnie Kauffman. There were seventeen members present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Roy McNeal.

Rev. Robinson of St. Joseph had charge of the quarterly meeting at the M. E. Church Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. L. D. Bose has been quite ill.

Mrs. August Niuffer, who underwent an operation in a St. Joseph hospital will be able to return home some time this week.

Mrs. Stevens and Miss Early of Maitland were calling on friends in Graham, Monday.

Raymond Wright and family who have been living on the Dr. Campbell farm south of Graham expect to move to Denver, Colorado.

Gene Kauffman, Harold Sipes, Albert Sipes, Illes McNeal, Dan Mowry and Chas. McDaniel attended the basketball game between the M. U. and the Hillyards in St. Joseph Friday night.

Chas. Talbot, sr., has purchased the Pauline Morgan property and will move to Graham soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bareus were guests last Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kauffman who live near Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Sipes and sons Harold and Donald visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Vassar in Wyeth, Mo.

Mrs. Grover Chappell visited with Mrs. Jess Duncan Monday.

BUNKER HILL ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Porch, daughter, Meda, and son, Willie, of South Dakota, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Porch and family.

Herschel Dixon has been absent from school several days because of an attack of chronic appendicitis.

Miss Lucile Stutesman of Bedford, Iowa, has been visiting relatives in this district during the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cuttrell and Mrs. G. W. Rauch attended the wedding dinner given at the Harvey Stone home Monday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Berg.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Thackery and family and Mrs. Lizzie Mumford from Diagonal, Iowa, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dukes on Jan. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lewis and family of Parnell visited Sunday at the Troy Bloomfield home.

WORKMAN CHAPEL

Miss Irene Koger spent Sunday with Maye Pierson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffith and daughter, Raine, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Piveral and Mrs. Heaman Sears.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Workman attended a surprise dinner at the Will Dougherty home at Elmo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pierson and sons Cecil and Charles spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pierson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Ewing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Neal and family.

A number of friends and relatives surprised Alma Koger Friday evening in honor of his birthday anniversary.

Lewis Wallace of Clearmont spent Monday night with Raymond Porterfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd VanPelt and sons spent Sunday with Edd Adkins at Elmo.

Misses Pauline, Wilma and Leona Maye Koger spent Sunday with George Sexson's.

The Ladies Aid Society met at the church Tuesday afternoon and officers for the coming year were elected. President, Mrs. Sid Ewing; vice-president, Mrs. John Knisley; secretary, Mrs. Will Kluth and treasurer, Mrs. Joe Workman. There were eleven members present.

A box supper and plate supper will be held at the church Wednesday evening the 19th everyone is invited to come, and the ladies bring boxes. A program is being prepared. Come and enjoy yourself.

A new telephone line is being built on 18 out of Pickering.

Eldon Koger and Kenneth Ulmer spent Sunday with the Bays boys.

Good Hope

Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Morehouse, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Morehouse, were in Maryville Wednesday.

Leman Morehouse did his winter butchering Thursday.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Roy Ringold is reported as some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Shearer of Hopkins were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Tine Miller. Mr. Miller has been quite poorly the last two or three weeks, but is some better.

Virginia Massie is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morehouse were Sunday dinner guests in the Joe Clymens home.

Gene Clymens visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clymens in Tarkio one day the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse, Ula Morehouse and family, Fay Morehouse and family and Raymon Hodges were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Morehouse, southeast of Hopkins and Marlin and Jimmie came home with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse to spend a few days.

Rant Holmes passed away at his home west of Hopkins Monday night after a long illness, and Mrs. Holmes is reported as quite sick.

Mr. W. Weaver is reported as quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morehouse delivered chickens to the Clarinda hatchery, that they had sold Monday.

Little Martha Bell Jeffers is sick this week.

Mrs. C. A. Lawler of Hiawatha, Kan., is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Ula Morehouse and Mrs. Henry Morehouse, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Leman Morehouse visited Tuesday with Curtis Hodges and wife and Mrs. Mary Harris.

Coolidge Economy at Climax; Patch White House Flag

Washington, Jan. 14.—Coolidge economy has reached the pinnacle at the White House—the flag on the roof.

Wintry winds ripped the six-foot bunting almost in half. The flag was hauled down, a patch was sewed on and the flag was re-hoisted.

Flag regulations stipulate that the flag shall never be patched and now Col. S. A. Cheney, the presidents military aide, is expecting letters from patriotic societies protesting the economical measure.

"Ease Up" Curriculum for West Point Boys

Would Lessen Number of Cadets Discharged For Deficiencies; Furnish Sweetheart's Cigarettes.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Sweethearts of West Point cadets will not have to bring their own cigarettes anymore when attending proms and week-end dances at the United States Military Academy.

This, together with the fact that the regular curriculum is to be "eased up a bit" to lessen the number of cadets discharged for deficiencies was disclosed in testimony of Brig. Gen. Merch E. Stewart, commandant at the academy, released by the house committee today.

Misses Opal and Viola Jones and Chester Jones returned yesterday from St. Joseph, where they motored Wednesday to visit their sister, Mrs. Fred Seekington.

DAILY MARKET REPORT

ST. JOSEPH LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 5,000; market steady to 10c higher; top, $12; bulk $11.65 to $11.75.

Cattle.

Receipts 600; market steady.
Bulk of steers $8.25 to $10.25.
Cows and heifers $4.00 to $9.25.
Calves $6.00 to $12.50.

Sheep.

Stockers and feeders $6.25 to $8.50.
Receipts 2,500; market lambs strong, sheep steady.
Lambs $11.50 to $12.50.
Ewes $5.50 to $6.75.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 4,000; market steady to 10c higher. Bulk $11.60 to $11.85.
Heavies $11.60 to $11.80.
Lights $11.75 to $12.
Butchers $11.65 to $11.90.
Pigs $11.60 to $12.35.

Cattle.

Receipts 800; market steady.
Prime fed steers $10.50 to $12.50.
Dressed beef steers $7.50 to $10.50.
Western steers $7.75 to $10.50.
Southern steers $7.25 to $9.50.
Stockers and feeders $6.25 to $9.10.
Cows $4.00 to $7.75.
Heifers $6.00 to $10.00.
Bulls $4.75 to $6.75.
Calves $6.00 to $12.50.

Sheep.

Receipts 500; market steady.
Spring lambs $11.25 to $12.50.
Yearlings $9.25 to $10.25.
Ewes $5.00 to $6.75.
Wethers $7.50 to $8.25.
Stockers and feeders $11.50 to $12.50.

EAST ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 12,000; market 10c to 20c higher.

Cattle.

Receipts 1,300, including 500 calves; market 50c lower.

Sheep.

Receipts 250; market steady.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 25,000; market 10c to 15c higher.

Cattle.

Receipts 5,000, including 1,000 calves; market, killing cattle steady.

Sheep.

Receipts 8,000; market, fat lambs strong to 25c higher.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 10,500; market steady with Thursday's best time.

Cattle.

Receipts 1,200; market steady.

Sheep.

Receipts 2,500; market, lambs 15c up.

Chicago Cash Grain.

WHEAT—No. 3 red, $1.33.
CORN—No. 2 yellow, 81c; No. 3 yellow, 74c to 79½c; No. 3 mixed, 72c; No. 3 mixed ,72c.
OATS—No. 2 white, 50c to 50½c.
HAY—Timothy, $5 to $5.75; clover, $25 to $32.50.
BARLEY—63½c to 73c.
RYE—98c.

Chicago Grain Table.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest.
Wheat—					
May	1.39⅜	1.39½	1.38⅞	1.38⅞	1.39⅝
July	1.30⅜	1.30½	1.29⅞	1.29⅞	1.31⅝
Sept.	1.27¼	1.27½	1.26⅝	1.26⅝	1.27¼
CORN—					
May	.81⅛	.82⅜	.81⅛	.81⅛	.81⅝
July	.84⅞	.85	.84	.84	.84¾
Sept.	.86⅞	.87	.86⅞	.86⅛	.85¾

Kansas City Grain, Hay, Produce.

WHEAT—Receipts 178 cars; market for hard ½c to 1c lower; market for red, unchanged to ½c lower. No. 2 hard $1.36 to $1.39½; No. 3 hard $1.33 to $1.37½; No. 2 red $1.33 to $1.34½; No. 3 red $1.31 to $1.33.

CORN—Receipts 59 cars; market unchanged to ½c lower; No. 2 mixed 74c to 75½c; No. 3 mixed 71½c to 73½c; No. 2 yellow 75½c to 77c; No. 3 yellow 73c to 75½c; No. 2 white 74½c to 76c.

OATS—Receipts 3 cars; market unchanged; No. 2 white nominal, 48c to 50½c.

RYE—No. 2 94½c to 95½c.

BARLEY—No. 3 68c to 70c.

HAY—Prairie, choice $15 to $16.50. Timothy ,No. 1 $16 to $17; alfalfa, choice $22 to $23.50.

Eggs 38½c; selected 44c.

Butter 51c; packing 20c.

Hens 24c. Turkeys and young toms 40c. Broilers 27c. Ducks 21c. Geese 16c.

Closing Grain Review.

Chicago, Jan. 14. — The generally bearish character of foreign cables affected wheat prices on the Chicago Board of Trade today and the close was fractionally lower than yesterday. The cash market was dull, with prices steady.

Corn was relatively strong, and closed at a small advance in spite of the weaker tendency in wheat. Cash prices were steady to 1 cent higher.

Oats was dull and did not make any change in prices. The cash market was steady and unchanged.

Provisions closed higher, receipts of hogs being smaller at 27,000. Prices at the yards were 10 to 15 cents up.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Eggs, per doz.	30c
Cream, per lb.	42c
Hens, heavy, per lb.	19c
Hens, light, per lb.	15c
Springs, heavy, per lb.	17c
Leghorn Springs, per lb.	13c
Staggs, per lb.	13c
Roosters, per. lb.	9c
Geese, per lb.	13c
Ducks, per lb.	16c
Hides, per. lb.	5c

Mrs. J. H. Jenkins of Ravanna, Mo., arrived last night to visit at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. H. Bryant and to attend the graduation of Howard Bryant, a son of Mrs. Bryant, from the high school tonight.

YOU

—No doubt have numerous articles around the house that you would be glad to dispose of at a fair price.
—Would like to sell purebred chickens this spring.
—Would be glad to buy some useful article but do not feel that you can afford to buy this new.

DID

—You ever try listing it in the Classified Columns of the Democrat-Forum and Tribune? Every day people are selling similar articles to thrifty buyers in Nodaway County. Why don't you?
—You ever read the many bargains that are listed? There are many money saving listings every day in the Want Ad column.
—With a paper going to EVERY 7.1 person in Nodaway County and 4.4 person in Maryville you are sure of finding some buyers of your purebred stock. Others have. You can.

FOR

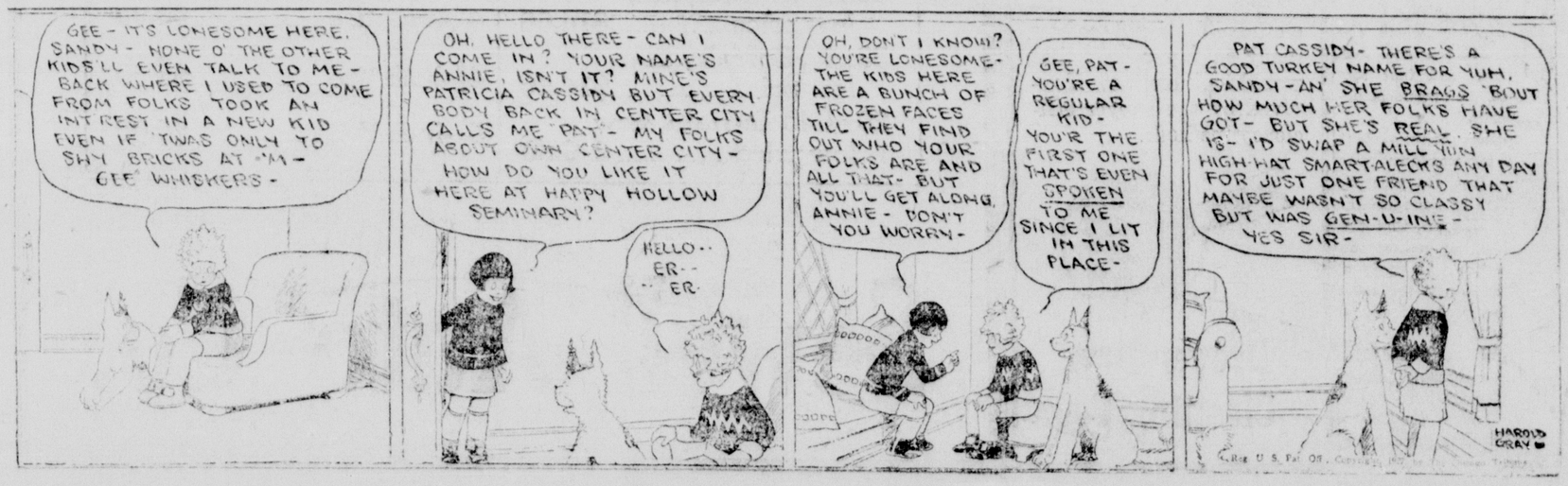
—The small charge of 2c per word for the first day (with a minimum of 12 words at 25c) and an additional charge of 1c per word each consecutive day thereafter you can reach over 4,000 people in Nodaway County through the classified column.
Phone or mail that ad in today.

Democrat-Forum and Tribune

PNEUMONIA
Call a physician. Then begin "emergency" treatment with
VICKS VAPORUB
Over 21 Million Jars Used Yearly

Colds
Be quick—be sure
Deal promptly with a cold. Use the most efficient, most complete help. That is HILL'S. It is so ideal that we paid $1,000,000 for it. HILL'S stops the cold in 24 hours, checks the fever, opens the bowels, tones the entire system. Millions now employ it. Start it today.
HILL'S Cascara-Bromide-Quinine
Be sure you get HILL'S, in the red box with portrait. At all druggists—30c.

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE: Pat


GEE - IT'S LONESOME HERE, SANDY - NONE O' THE OTHER KIDS'LL EVEN TALK TO ME - BACK WHERE I USED TO COME FROM FOLKS TOOK AN INTREST IN A NEW KID EVEN IF 'TWAS ONLY TO SHY BRICKS AT 'M - GEE WHIZKERS -
OH, HELLO THERE - CAN I COME IN? YOUR NAME'S ANNIE, ISN'T IT? MINE'S PATRICIA CASSIDY BUT EVERY BODY BACK IN CENTER CITY CALLS ME "PAT" - MY FOLKS ABOUT OWN CENTER CITY - HOW DO YOU LIKE IT HERE AT HAPPY HOLLOW SEMINARY?
HELLO.. ER-- ..ER
OH, DONT I KNOW? YOU'RE LONESOME - THE KIDS HERE ARE A BUNCH OF FROZEN FACES TILL THEY FIND OUT WHO YOUR FOLKS ARE AND ALL THAT - BUT YOU'LL GET ALONG, ANNIE - DON'T YOU WORRY -
GEE, PAT - YOU'RE A REGULAR KID - YOU'R THE FIRST ONE THAT'S EVEN SPOKEN TO ME SINCE I LIT IM THIS PLACE -
PAT CASSIDY - THERE'S A GOOD TURKEY NAME FOR YUH, SANDY - AN' SHE BRAGS 'BOUT HOW MUCH HER FOLKS HAVE GOT - BUT SHE'S REAL. SHE IS - I'D SWAP A MILL YUN HIGH-HAT SMARTALECKS ANY DAY FOR JUST ONE FRIEND THAT MAYBE WASN'T SO CLASSY BUT WAS GEN-U-INE - YES SIR -
HAROLD GRAY

H.S. TEAMS IN DOUBLE BILL

BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS PLAY AT HOME TOMORROW NIGHT.

SAVANNAH BOYS COME

Girls' Opponents Will Be From Rosendale.—Both Visiting Coaches M. H. S. Alumni.

A double-header basketball program, which calls for action galore to suit all high school basketball fans, will be staged here at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night in the high school gymnasium when the Maryville High School boys and girls occupy the gym floor. The Maryville boys will meet Savannah and the Maryville girls Rosendale.

The coaches of both of the opposing teams are former Maryville High School students. Sam England, who coaches the Savannah team, is a former high school letterman, and the coach of the Rosendale team, Martha Kennedy, was formerly on the girls basketball squad at the State Teachers College.

Coaches C. W. Croy and Hugh Graham are not certain who will hold the places in the line-up but the most of the boys are in good condition. No injuries have been suffered this far in the season. "The boys couldn't be in a better condition," they assert.

The Savannah game will be the season opener in 1927. From now on the Spoofhounds will be thrown into hard drilling for games to be played every week-end until the March tournament brings the season to a halt.

Savannah has an exceptionally good team and the Maryville coaches have been informed that their opponents "are going to break even on the defeat Maryville gave them in football this fall."

The Savannah boys have played two games this season and lost one. They defeated St. Joseph Lafayette High by the score of 12-32 and while playing Northeast High of Kansas City went down to a 12-29 defeat.

The Spoofkitties have been working hard to smooth out the rough play evidenced in their defeat last week by Albany, Coach Ruth Bookman declared. Each member of the squad is working consistently with the other players and the results should be a fast accurate offense and defense.

The Rosendale teams are playing at Savannah tonight. The Rosendale girls have won the majority of the games they have played. As to size they will have the edge on the Maryville girls. Two years ago Rosendale defeated the Spoofkitties twice and last year the defeated team of the year before came back with two victories from the Rosendale team.

"Under such coaching as Martha Kennedy, Rosendale, will probably be found a good, fast, hard-fighting team and hard to beat," Coach Bookman said without the slightest apprehension that the statement should be proven by defeat of her girl squad.

The three high school coaches here are keeping the gym floor warm with "stiff" basketball drills afternoon and night, getting ready for the games yet to come and the ones harder to win. The coaches of the boys believe they have the best competition this year to be found anywhere among Northwest Missouri high schools.

January 21, a week off, comes the first big test for the Spoofhound quintet when they meet here the Heart of America Chapter of DeMolay of Kansas City, a team that carries a remarkable record. The next night, after the battle with the Kansas Citians, the Cameron boys come to Maryville to do battle with the Spoofhound squad.

The Maryville High School band will play at the game tomorrow night.

County Track Meet to Be Held May 7

Arrangements for the first annual county track and field meet at Burlington Junction May 7 will be made by the board of control of the Nodaway County Athletic Association when it meets here January 25.

The executive board recently accepted an invitation of Burlington Junction to hold the events there.

BASKETBALL GAMES.

Tonight.

Sheridan at Parnell.

Saturday.

High School boys vs. Savannah.

High School Girls vs. Rosendale.

Bearcats vs. Morningside.

Burlington Junction Tournament: Hopkins, Skidmore, Elmo, Burlington Junction and Barnard will participate.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorse Conn of Ravenwood were in Maryville yesterday.

W. A. Burris of Graham was a Maryville visitor today.

Read the Want Ads.

BEARCATS WIN A POOR GAME

TARKIO NO MATCH FOR LOCAL COLLEGE, LOSING 42-10.

EXHIBITION IS RAGGED

Both Teams Lack Ability to Hit Basket—Quigley Makes Speech—Morningside Here Tomorrow Night.

The State Teachers College Bearcats, champions of the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association last year, won a listless basketball game from the Tarkio College team last night, 42 to 10, as the opening of their 1927 season at home.

Although the Bearcats were superior from all angles last night, their play was ragged throughout, and they showed much room for improvement. However, the players all have an abundance of ability and they should develop into even as strong a machine as carried the Green and White to a title last year.

The team last night showed streaks of brilliancy, but the outstanding thing about the game was the fact that both teams displayed a decided inability to hit the basket. The Bearcats shot at the basket ninety-nine times, according to a chart kep of every shot by each team. Of this number, twenty-one were good. That means that a little more than one shot out of every five was good for two points.

The Tarks, however, were frightful in their stabs at the basket. Out of forty shots, but two were good. This speaks well for the Bearcat defense, but had the visitors been by any means adept at looping the pellet they would have connected with more shots, for several times they refused to cash in on literal set-ups.

The game started off with two merry field baskets by Burks. Both were from midway between center and the free throw circle, and both swished through the netting without even striking up an acquaintance with the hoop. Burks tallied seven baskets in the game, but at that he bowed to Leon Ungles, who exhibited a promising one-armed shot and rang the bell eight times during the contest.

Orville Hedges was far from shooting form, and the rest of the ten men whom Coach H. Frank Lawrence used in the game were just about nil. John Lisle, a freshman from Easton, has been running the leaders a race for scoring honors in practice, but the old-fashioned buck struck him full force last night, and the best he could do was commit two personal fouls.

E. C. Quigley, veteran baseball, football, and basketball official, worked the game in a fashion characteristic and pleasant. Between halves he entertained the medium-sized crowd with remarks concerning the Tournament of Roses football game on New Years Day, and some of his experiences as a National League umpire.

Basketball fans will be glad to hear that Mr. Quigley will be in Maryville for the game with the Hillyards, national A. A. U. champions, on February 4, and for the one with Cape Girardeau on February 16.

Tomorrow night the Bearcats will again be seen in action, when they will meet the quintet from Morningside College, Sioux City, Ia. This team is in St. Joseph today and will play the Hillyards tonight.

A telegram from a Des Moines sport authority to Mr. Lawrence yesterday said that he had better be prepared for a tussle tomorrow night.

The box score last night:

Maryville—	G.	F.T.	F.
Ungles, f	8	0	0
Davison, f	1	0	0
Hedges, f	4	0	2
Lisle, f	0	0	2
Burks, c	7	0	2
Crane, c.	0	0	0
Iba, c	1	0	0
Berst, g	0	0	1
Joy, g	0	0	2
Ferguson, g	0	0	0
Total	21	0	9
Tarkio—	G.	F.T.	F.
Martin, f	1	2	1
Wood, f	0	1	1
White, f	1	0	0
Barton, c	0	1	0
Hoyman, c	0	0	0
Chisholm, g	0	2	0
Ginn, g	0	0	0
McMullen, g	0	0	0
Total	2	6	2

Transferred to Kansas City.

Joe Burris, son of W. A. Burris of Graham, who has been assistant credit man for the Sinclair Oil Company at Omaha for one and a half years, has been transferred to Kansas City. He will represent the company in the state of Nebraska and part of Colorado.

Nine Schools Favor Changing Tournament

None of Replies Unfavorable and Only One Non-Committal, Says St. Joseph Principal.

Ten of the fifteen Class A high schools of Northwest Missouri have replied to the letters sent out by David Hopkins, vice-principal of the Central High School concerning the transfer of the district Class A basketball tournament from Maryville to St. Joseph. Of the ten replies, nine were favorable and one was noncommittal, according to the St. Joseph News-Press.

Chillicothe High School stated it did not care to vote on the question of removing the tournament from Maryville to St. Joseph, Cameron, Liberty, Excelsior Springs, Richmond and the five high schools of St. Joseph all have voted in favor of bringing the meet to St. Joseph, it is claimed. The schools not yet heard from are Maryville High, Tarkio, Carrollton and Trenton.

The sponsors of the change declare that teams in Northwest Missouri will not have to travel nearly so far to compete in a tournament if it be held at St. Joseph. They have figured out that the teams travel 2,200 miles to and from Maryville, while the aggregate distance the school representatives would have to go if the meet were held in St. Joseph would be 1,100 miles.

There are five gymnasiums available in St. Joseph and none of the St. Joseph schools would be allowed to play on its own floor. The finals would be held in the Auditorium and trophies would be awarded. Should the meet be brought to St. Joseph, a consolation tournament is promised, giving each team a chance to play in at least two games.

It is pointed out by the St. Joseph supporters of the movement that five of the ten schools in the district, aside from the St. Joseph institutions, must pass through St. Joseph to get to get to Maryville.

Action on the proposal to change the tournament probably will be taken by the board of control of the Missouri High School Athletic Association at a meeting in February.

Burlington Tourney Is Set for Tomorrow

Teams From High Schools Will Compete for Silver Loving Cups—Also Free Throw Contest.

Five county high school basketball teams will participate in a tournament to be held at Burlington Junction tomorrow afternoon and night under the auspices of the Burlington Junction High School.

Hopkins, Elmo, Barnard and Burlington Junction boys teams will play off elemination games in the afternoon and the final game for a silver loving cup will be the feature of the evening's entertainment.

The girls teams from Hopkins, Elmo, Ravenwood and Burlington Junction also will fight for a silver trophy.

The Burlington Junction promoters have arranged for a free throw contest at 10:30 in the morning in which three members from each boys and girls team may compete. Gold basketball medals will be given to the winners.

Drawings for the tournament will be held at 11 a. m.

Raymond "Red" Houston, will be the referee, with Robert Yaple, timekeeper, and Lawrence Thompson and "Jake" Moore, scorekeepers.

The final games in the evening will start at 8 o'clock.

Exceptions Filed to a Bridge Mandamus

Jackson Township Drainage District Asks Quashing of Writ Granted Three Land Owners.

Listing eight exceptions to an alternative writ of mandamus issued by Judge John M. Dawson of the circuit court, requiring the Jackson township drainage district to show cause why it should not construct a bridge on the lands of George Fred Davis, Charles O'Banion and Thomas Rush, in Jackson and Jefferson townships, the district has asked the court to quash the mandamus.

The three petitioners alleged when the mandamus was issued that the drainage district had constructed a drainage ditch to straighten the Platte river across the highway where the Platte crosses the Jackson and Jefferson township line, and that this ditch inconvenienced the owners in access to their property.

Among the exceptions the respondent district states that the mandamus was wrongfully issued, that the proceedings were in violation of the constitution of the state of Missouri, that the drainage district does not control the ditch, that there never was or is a road there as mentioned by the relators, or that if there was a road, it has ceased to be used.

The alternative writ was issued November 6 and made returnable during the January term of court.

The Platte river crosses the Jackson-Jefferson township line three miles northwest of Clyde.

H. S. COMEDY IS SUCCESS

"HONOR BRIGHT" WELL GIVEN BY MID-YEAR CLASS.

GRADUATION TONIGHT

Commencement Exercises At School Auditorium at 7:30 o'Clock Conclude Week's Program.

"Honor Bright," a three-act comedy-drama presented last night in the Maryville High School auditorium by the mid-year graduating class, upheld the standard maintained by the high school for its success in dramatics. It was well given and all sixteen members of the cast, from the minor to the leading roles, interpreted their parts realistically.

The central figures of the play were Jack Gray as Richard Barrington, son in a dignified New England home; Mildred Wiles as Honor Bright, a book agent, and Alice Swinford as Tot Marvel, chorus girl with the "Snap-It-Up Co."

Miss Wiles' part was set to appeal to the audience from the first until she won the love of Richard Barrington and the curtain fell with "and they lived happily ever after" as the benediction.

Jack Gray was recognized at once as being all that could be expected of the young leading man of the cast.

Alice Swinford portrayed a role quite contrary to her nature as high school students have known her. She was Tot Marvel, the chorus girl with the "Snap-It-Up Co." Tot was a selfish, ill-tempered girl in disposition and Miss Swinford interpreted the part intelligently. She showed all the characteristics of the modern show girl.

Paris Phipps, the bishop, added philosophy as well as humor to the play. His persistent habit for using a quotation for every point he used to demonstrate in conversation always brought a laugh.

Emily Martin as Mrs. Lucy Barrington, and Viola Leamer as Peggy Carton, a self-centered aunt, were roles equally well played.

Cornelius Stilwell, the butler, was a laugh riot at every appearance. Homer Gile, press agent with the "Snap-It-Up-Co." appeared but once but his place on the stage was important and what he brought about changed the conditions of the plot and relieved Richard Barrington of his drastic mistake in his engagement with the chorus girl and left him free to marry Honor Bright, whom he secured as a substitute fiancee but found she was the girl he really loved.

Others in minor but important roles as far as the success of the play was concerned were New Swinford, Beatrice Hansen, Beatrice Hawkins, George Hall, Floyd Bailey, Howard Bryant, Paul Whaley and Eugene Howard.

A violin solo by Beatrice Hansen and a reading by Beatrice Hawkins were specialties featured between acts.

Commencement exercises will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the high school auditorium and graduation activities will be brought to a close.

The commencement address will be delivered by the Rev. Guy L. Prather, pastor of the First Baptist Church, using as his theme, "The Fight for Faith."

The members of the graduating class of May, 1927, will march into the auditorium and take a place in a section reserved for them.

The program follows:

Class march.

Invocation.

Valedictory—Miss Mildred Wiles.

Violin solo—Beatrice Hansen.

Class address, "The Fight for Faith"—Rev. Guy L. Prather.

Presentation of Diplomas—Prof. C. A. Hawkins.

The sixteen graduates to be awarded diplomas are: Emily Martin, Jack Gray, Paris Phipps, Viola Leamer, Mildred Wiles, Ned Swinford, Homer Gile, Alice Swinford, Cornelius Stilwell, Beatrice Hansen, Beatrice Hawkins, Floyd Bailey, George Hall, Paul Whaley, Eugene Howard and Howard Bryant.

Helps Rival

Mrs. Gertrude Heehler, 22, of Chicago, pictured above, learned of a love affair between her husband and 18-year-old Margaret Blaine. "I'll get a divorce, and you must marry her," she said. Then she knitted clothing for Margaret's expected baby. And finally, when Heehler was arrested for failure to support his second wife, Mrs. Heehler No. 1 arranged for his release under a bond to guarantee that the husband would provide for his family properly.

STAGE AND SCREEN.

New York, Jan. 14.—Art and the box office have little in common. A review of the best and the most profitable films of 1926 brings this old truth home with startling force again. Titles of the films deemed by the critics to be the best of the year are not reflected in the list of the five money makers of 1926 as set forth by The Exhibitors' Herald.

"The Keeper of the Bees," "The Cohens and the Kelleys," "Behind the Front," "The Son of the Sheik," and "The Volga Boatmen" are cited by the trade paper as the most lucrative. Not one of them finds a place in the first ten of the New York critics, or even in the first forty of the National Board Review of Motion Pictures.

There is little unanimity of opinion among the critics on the most artistic pictures of the year but the following have found a place on most lists: "Variety," "Faust," "The Grand Duchess and the Waiter," "Beau Geste," "The Waltz Dream," "The Black Pirate," "What Price Glory," "The Better 'Ole," "Old Ironsides," "Tell It to the Marines," "So This Is Paris," "Up Stage," "Silence," and "Potemkin."

As some of these pictures had their openings in the closing weeks of the year, it is only fair to say that they may get into the big money class before 1927 is over.

"In Abraham's Bosom," is the latest offering of the Provincetown Playhouse and it serves to introduce a new dramatist to New York in the person of Paul Green. The play depicts the life of a negro who attempts to secure an education and become a leader of his race. Julius Bledsoe has the title part. All but two members of the cast are negroes.

The days of Jenny Lind and her appearance in New York at the Castle Garden under the auspices of P. T. Barnum, are being lived once again in "The Nightingale," a new Shubert musical show at the Jolson Theatre. The plot centers around a romance she is said to have had shortly after her arrival in America. Eleanor Painter has the role of the Swedish singer. Tom Wise portrays the part of the great showman.

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